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Photo shows a general view of the New York City Housing Authority's Marble Hill Houses under construction in the Bronx. The architect, John Ambrose Thompson; the structural engineer, Tuck & Eipel, and the general contractor, Cauldwell-Wingate Company, are all of New York City.

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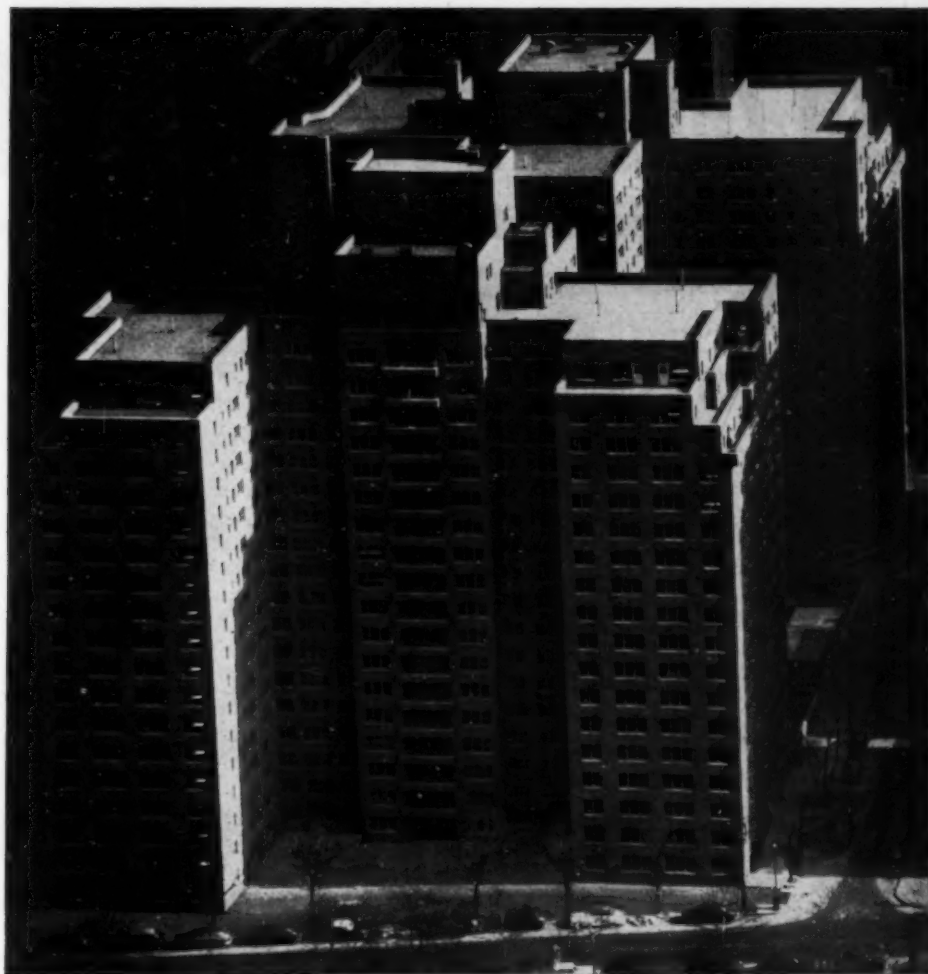
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Schwab House

High above the Hudson River in New York City stands Schwab House, an 18-story apartment building named for the late Charles M. Schwab, long recognized as the leader of the steel industry, and the founder of Bethlehem Steel.

Schwab House occupies the site of the former Schwab mansion, which for years was one of New York's landmarks. The structure is bounded by Riverside Drive, West

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Schwab House exemplifies modern living at its best. It has facilities for 651 families. It contains 2200 bright, cheerful rooms, and its apartment units vary in size from 1½ rooms to 5½ rooms. The structure includes penthouse apart-

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The exterior of Schwab House is done tastefully in red brick and limestone, with large aluminum-framed windows, and covers a steel framework weighing 5322 tons, which was fabricated and erected by Bethlehem.

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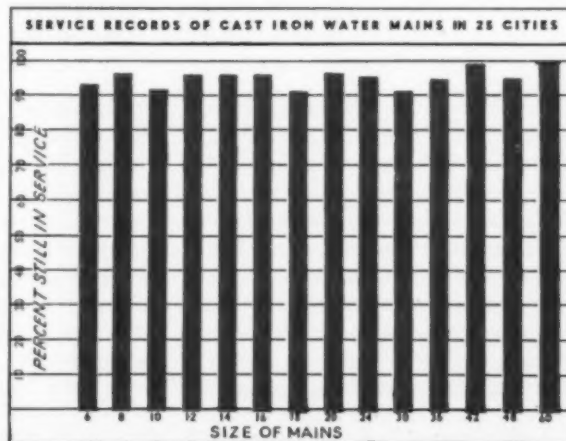


No doubt about the stamina



↑ **AMERICA PROVES IT!** The above map shows cities having some or all of their *original* cast iron water or gas mains still in service. The red stars indicate 34 cities having cast iron water or gas mains in service that were laid a century or more ago.

SURVEYS PROVE IT! A recent study directed by 3 Water Works Associations shows that 96% of all cast iron water mains, 6-inch and over, ever laid in 25 representative cities, are still in service.



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Europe proves it! The oldest cast iron water mains in the world, by authenticated records, supply the town and parks of Versailles, France. They were installed in 1664 and are still functioning after 287 years of service. Other cities in France, Germany and the British Isles have cast iron mains in service that are over 100 years old.

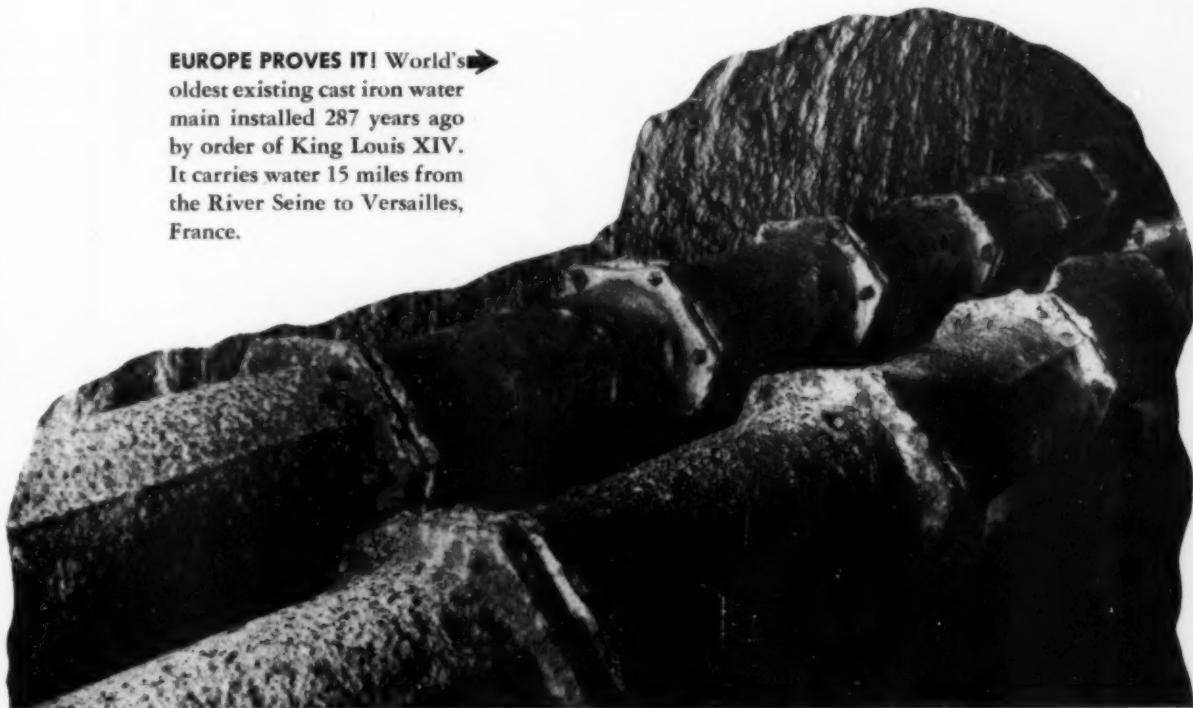
America proves it! Original cast iron mains are still serving 57 of America's largest cities. And 34 cities have either cast iron water or gas mains in service that were laid

over 100 years ago (see map).

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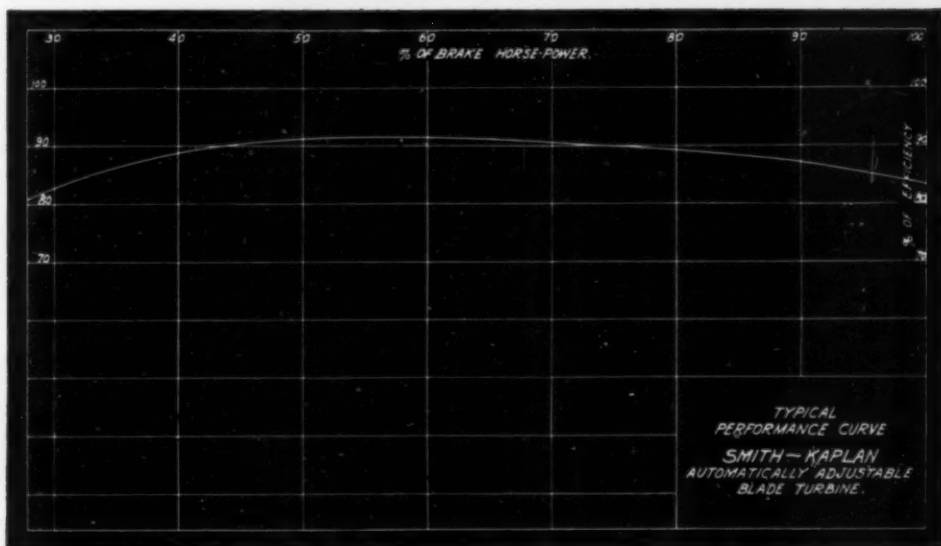
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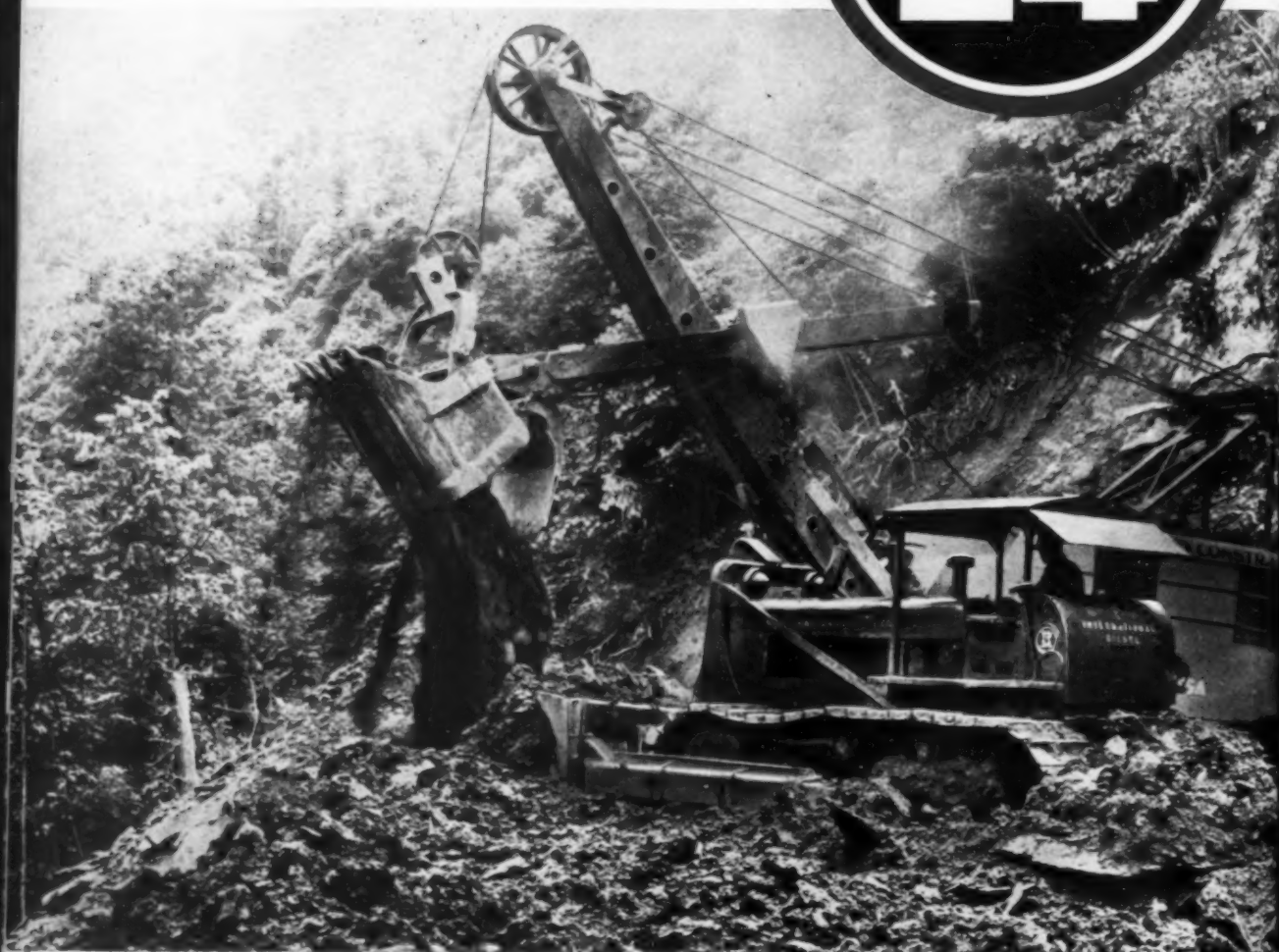
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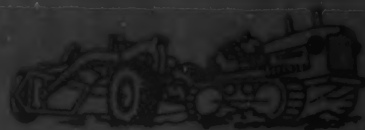
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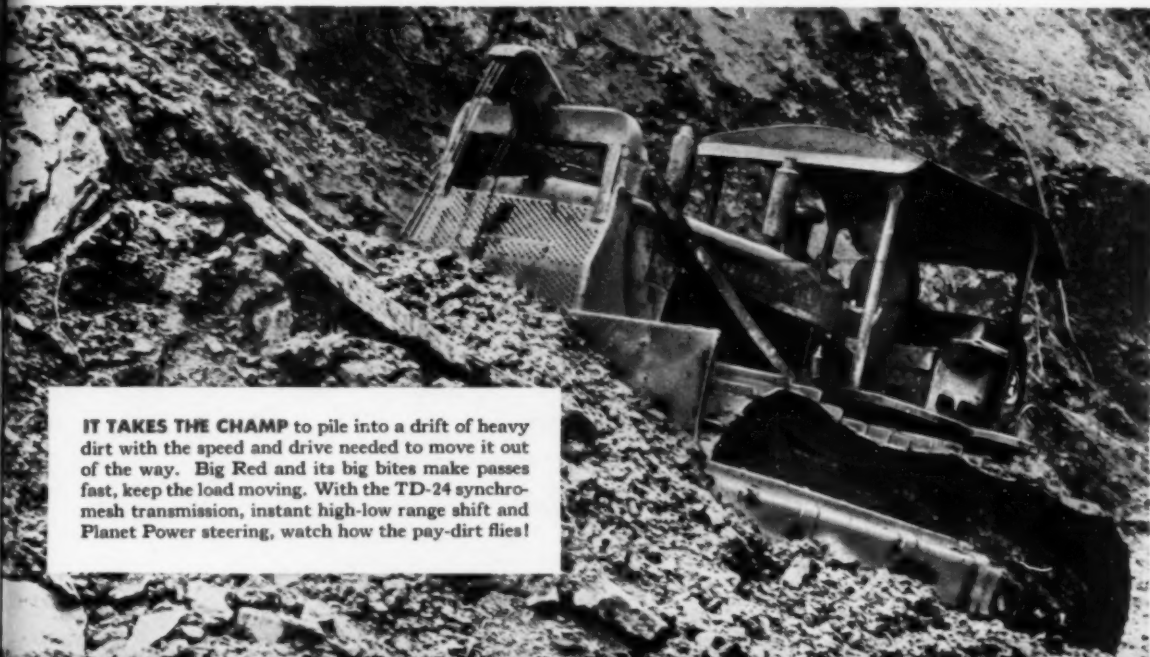
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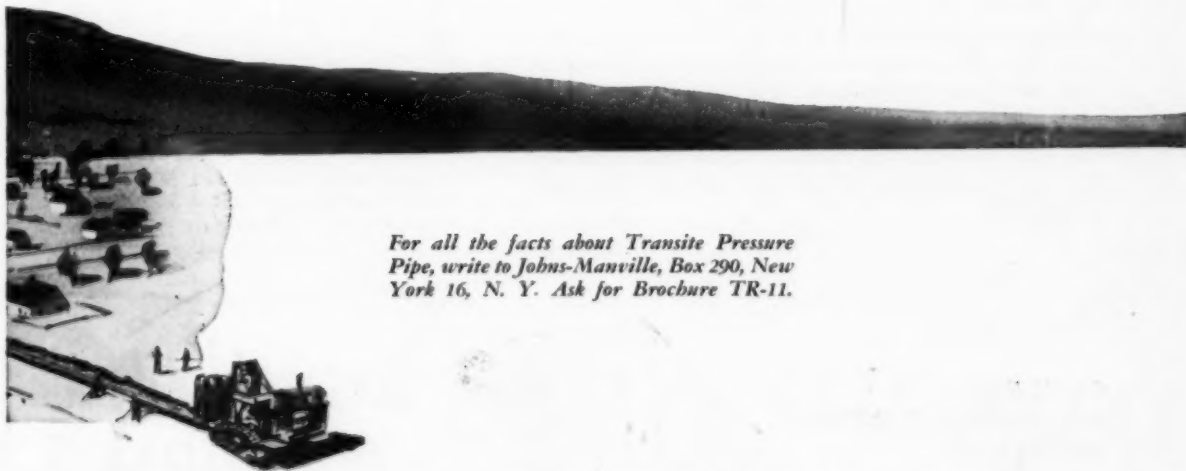
Economies start as soon as a shipment of Transite Pipe is received. Because it is light in weight, unloading and other handling operations are simplified. More footage can be carried per truckload, trucking costs are lowered, and distribution on the job site is faster. And except for the larger diameters of pipe, the sections can be lowered into the trench by hand, or with the aid of rope slings.

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2. Hook Anchorage Eliminated

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3. Lapping Reduced

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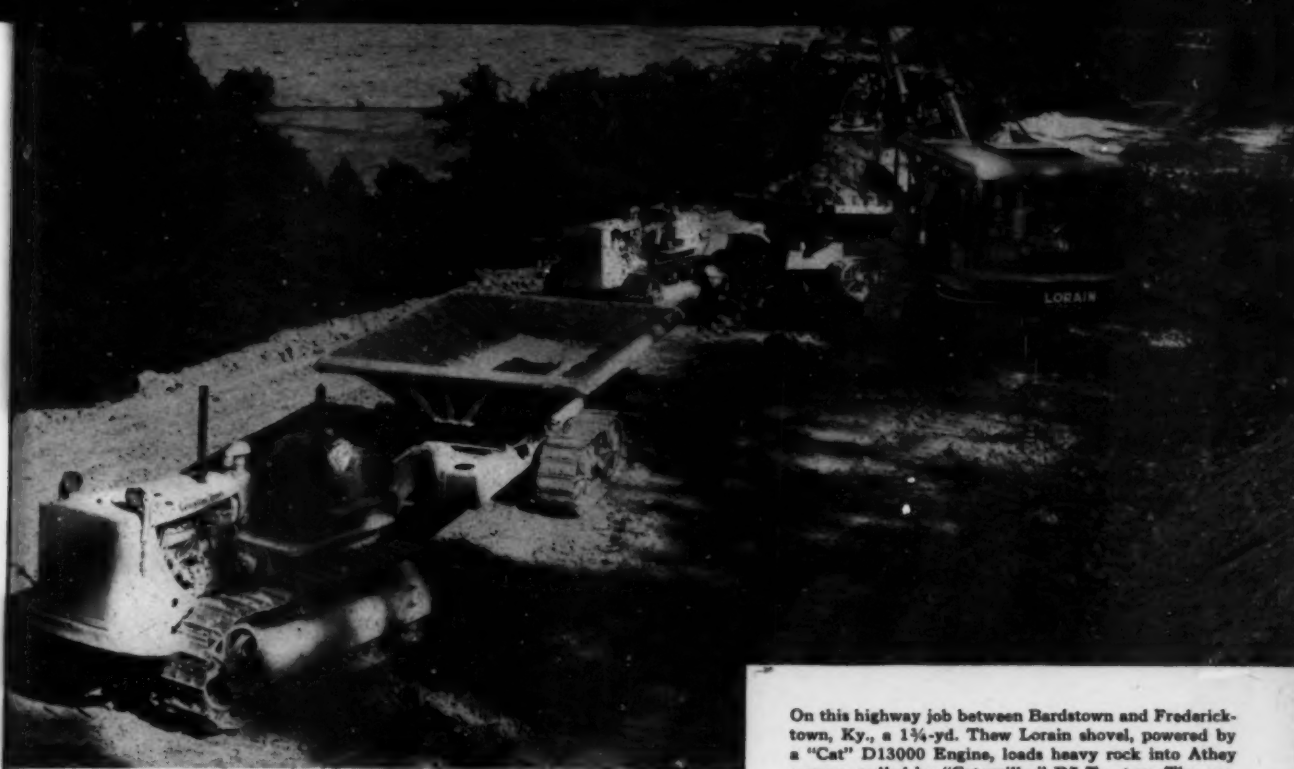


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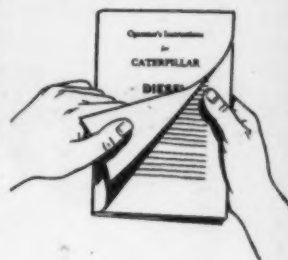
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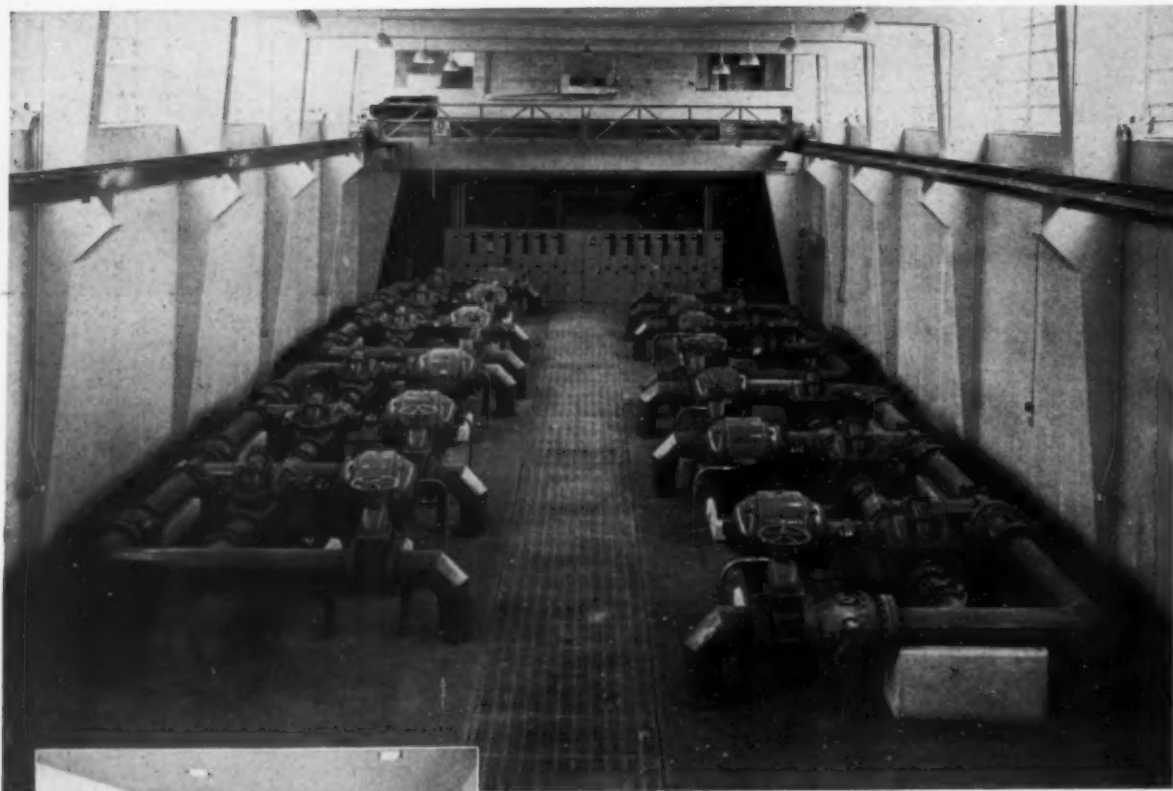


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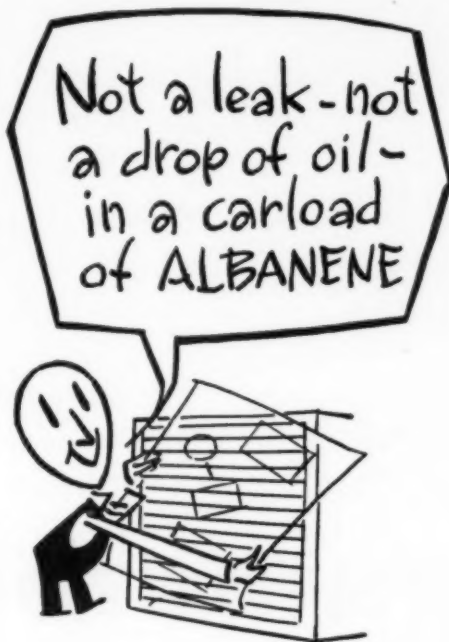
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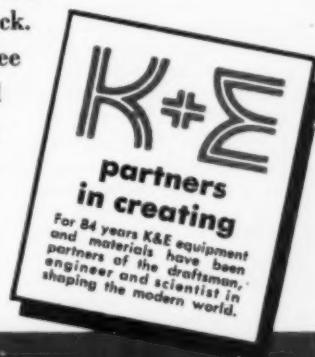
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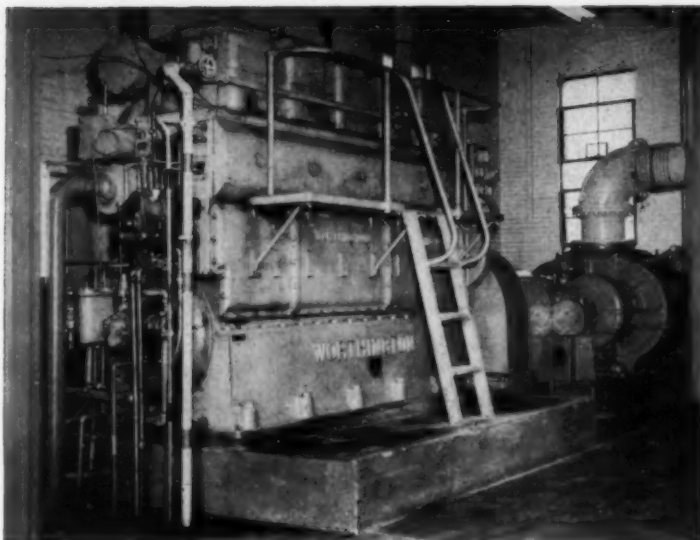
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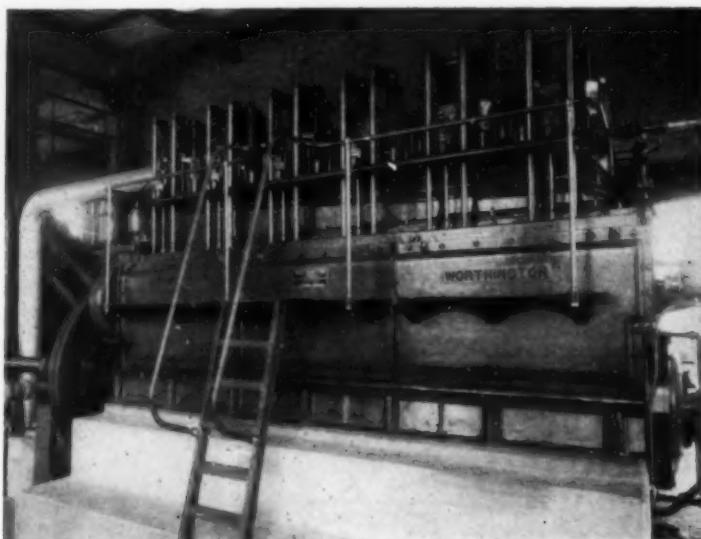
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Peoria, Illinois Sanitary District installed this Worthington Gas Engine in 1935 to drive blowers.

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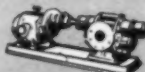
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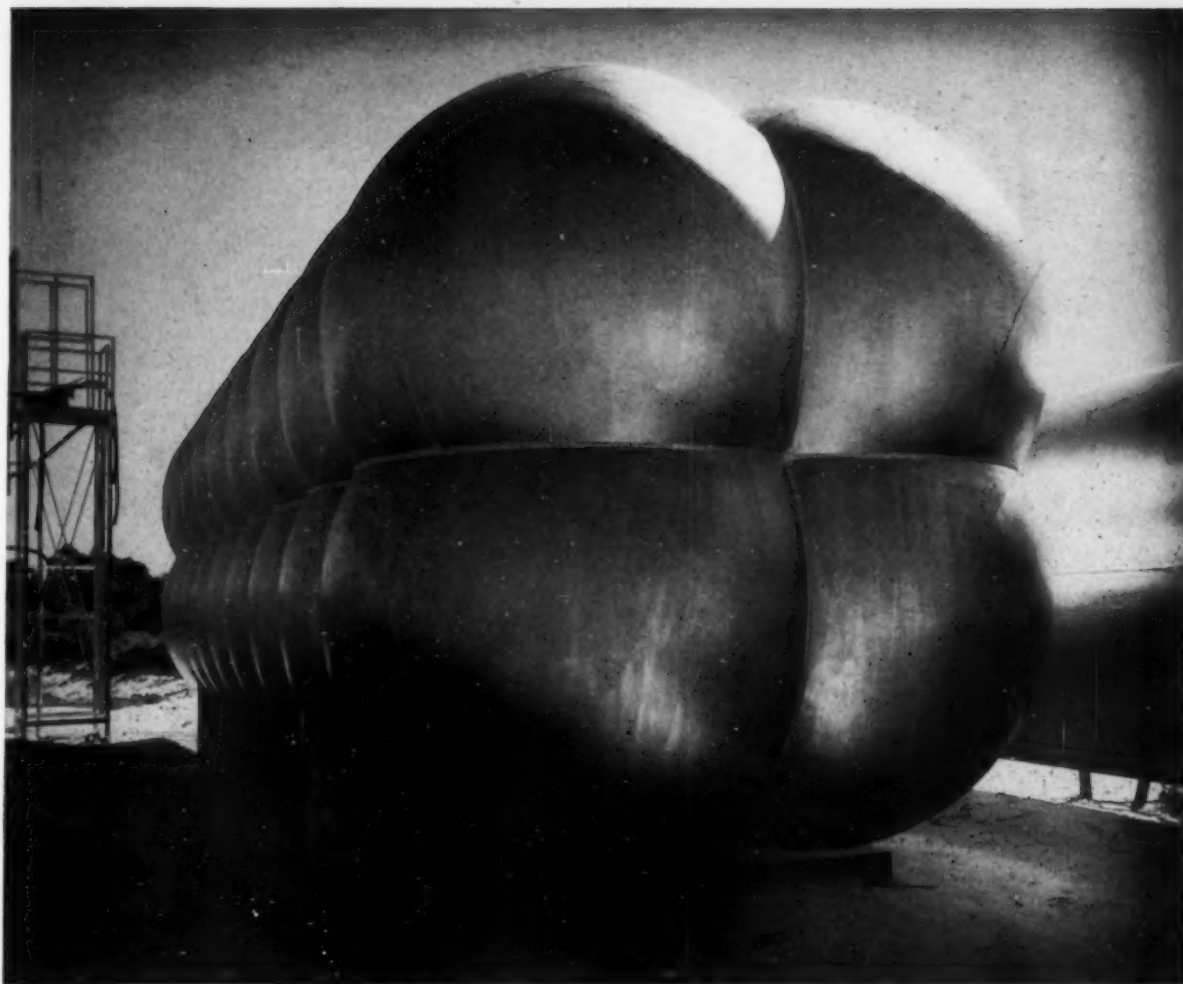
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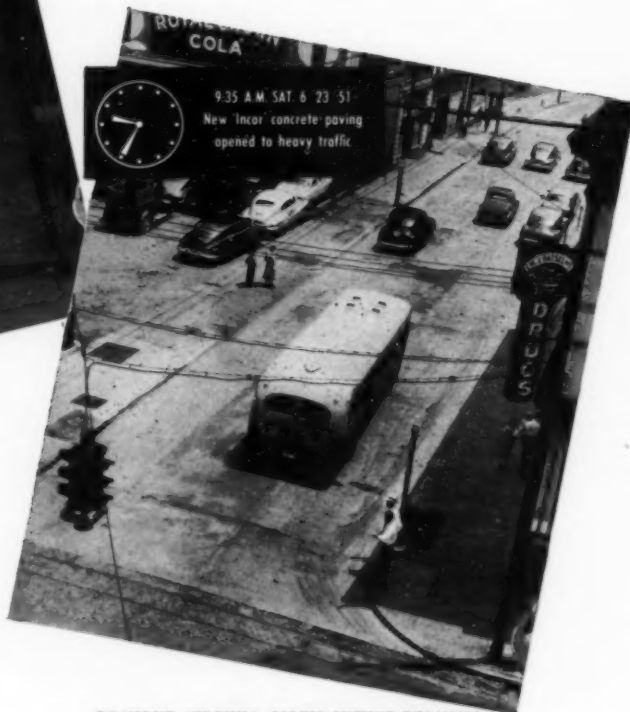
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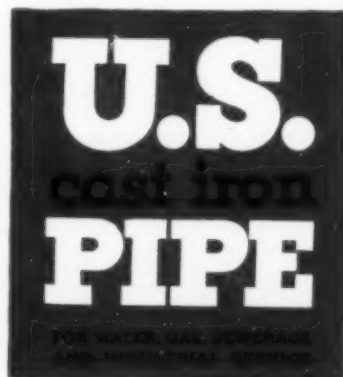
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Barbara Fritchie's house in Frederick, Maryland as it appeared in the year 1866

The City of Frederick has a cast iron water main in service that was laid in 1845, seventeen years before Barbara Fritchie's flag-waving defiance of "Stonewall"

Jackson's army. The changing channel of a creek undermined her humble home, now replaced in replica to serve as a museum. Yet Frederick's 106-year-old cast iron main, like many others, has survived the changing conditions of a century. Shock-strength, beam-strength and crushing-strength are inherent in cast iron pipe. Because of these strength-factors and effective resistance to corrosion, cast iron water and gas mains, laid over 100 years ago, are still serving in the streets of 38 cities in the United States and Canada. United States Pipe and Foundry Co., General Offices, Burlington, N. J. Plants and Sales Offices Throughout the U. S. A.



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Helicoidal staircase in prestressed concrete, built for General Motors Continental, Antwerp, Belgium, rises 17 ft unsupported, except at bottom and top—a daring structure in a beautiful setting.



Revolutionary staircase built of prestressed concrete

IN ANTWERP, General Motors Continental is building an important group of buildings which includes an assembly plant, show room, offices and storage space. From the luxurious show room a helicoidal staircase rises to join the offices on the floor above.

It is a daring structure which could not be built of the usual reinforced concrete. Even with the new technique of prestressing, the problem of design was so unusual that I could not take the responsibility for it without first making a full-scale model in my laboratory at Ghent and testing it under loads up to three and a half times the working load.

Design Based on Test of Full-Scale Model

The resisting element of the staircase is a helicoidal slab about 11 in. thick, supported only on the ground floor and at the office floor 17 ft 2 in. above. In the design of such a slab, the main problem is to take care of the very high torsional moments. Moreover, because no re-

liable formula exists for computing torsional stresses in very thin rectangular concrete sections, it was imperative first to test a full-scale model.

Dimensions of the tested model are shown in Fig. 1. The design method used is not exact—exact methods do not exist in engineering—but it is based on the results of the test. Test results are more reliable than theory.

Measured vertically, the thickness of the prestressed test slab is 13.4 in., but measured normal to its surface, it is 10.2 in. at the inside edge and 12.6 in. at the outside edge, an average thickness of 11.4 in. Design loads were taken at 176 lb per sq ft for dead load, 104 lb per sq ft for live load measured on a horizontal projection, a total of 280 lb per sq ft.

Design Procedure Explained

A routine calculation gives the following maximum values:

Bending moment for section A_1B_1 = 141,000 ft-lb

Torsional moment for section A_0B_0 and A_nB_n = 211,000 ft-lb
Shearing force for section A_0B_0 and A_nB_n = 29,100 lb

If the vertical reactions along one of the lines of support A_0B_0 or A_nB_n are assumed to follow a linear law (Fig. 2) we find, by applying the principals of elementary statics, that

$$S_A = 28,100 \text{ lb per ft, and} \\ S_n = 37,000 \text{ lb per ft}$$

Hence we can calculate the shear stresses due to the combination of the torsional moment and the shearing force as follows:

$$\frac{3 \times 37,500}{2 \times 11.4 \times 12} = 411 \text{ psi}$$

Prestressing was by means of two cables each containing 16 wires of 5-mm diameter, stressed at one end up to 145,000 psi. This gives a total force of 141,000 lb. However, the loss due to friction of cables against the concrete has been measured as being 45 percent. This leaves initially a prestressing force in section



ABSENCE of reliable design formulas required construction of full-scale model and test of its behavior under load. Steel frame and timber bracing provided support for top end of slab.

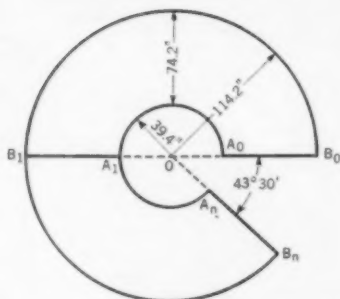


FIG. 1. DIMENSIONS of tested model are shown by diagram. Vertical distance between A_0B_0 and A_1B_1 equals 17 ft 2 in.

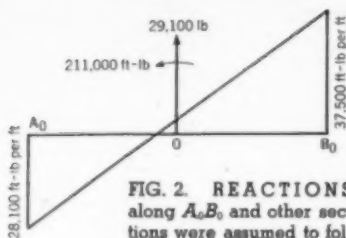


FIG. 2. REACTIONS along A_0B_0 and other sections were assumed to follow linear law.



MODEL is loaded to $3\frac{1}{2}$ times working load of 104 lb per sq ft. Timber struts under right side are for safety and do not touch slab. Deflection under twice working load (Fig. 3) was about $\frac{3}{4}$ in.

A_1B_1 equal to 77,600 lb; and ultimately because of a 15-percent loss of prestress in the course of time, the following prestressing forces:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{In } A_0B_0, \quad 0.85 \times 141,000 &= 134,000 \text{ lb} \\ \text{In } A_1B_1 \quad 0.85 \times 77,600 &= 66,000 \text{ lb} \end{aligned}$$

This prestressing gives a compressive stress in the concrete at A_0B_0 equal to 157 psi.

With a shearing stress of 411 psi and a compressive stress of 157 psi, the maximum principal tensile stress equals

$$\sqrt{411^2 + \frac{157^2}{4}} - \frac{157}{4} = 340 \text{ psi}$$

Now compute the stresses in A_1B_1 due to the bending moment of 141,000 ft-lb and the axial compression of 66,000 ft-lb. The cross section is 11.4×74.8 in., reinforced with 1.04 sq in. of steel per ft on the tension side and 0.52 sq in. per ft on the compressive side. This gives a concrete stress of 1,150 psi and a steel stress of 16,600 psi.

Let us see next what these figures became during the test when the first crack appeared, which was under a live load of 245 lb per sq ft. This load added to the dead load totaled 421 lb per sq ft, or 1.51 times the working load previously computed.

Hence the maximum shearing stress was

$$411 \times 1.51 = 620 \text{ psi}$$

With the same prestressing as above, the maximum principal tensile stress was

$$\sqrt{620^2 + \frac{157^2}{2}} - \frac{157}{2} = 547 \text{ psi}$$

In section A_1B_1 there was a bending moment of

$$1.51 \times 141,000 = 213,000 \text{ ft-lb}$$

which, with the same prestressing force as before, produced a stress in the concrete of 1,720 psi, and in the steel of 25,500 psi. It is obvious that the concrete did not have a tensile resistance as high as 547 psi although its crushing strength in 8-in. cubes was 9,000 psi. This showed that the computation was not quite correct. If the tensile strength of the concrete is assumed to be 350 psi the calculated figure for the principal tensile stress is 1.56 times too high.

If the principal tensile stress due to the combination of the torsional moment and the shearing force had been computed by applying known formulas for rectangular cross sections, values would have been found three times higher than those given by the test. For this reason, I place more confidence in the method used and here described.

Test Results Converted to Design

Stresses in the real staircase, as it was built in Antwerp, can now be

computed. It differed from the model in that its width was 86.8 in. whereas the model had a width of 74.8 in. The slab thickness remained the same, as did the percentage of reinforcement. The prestressing was applied by six cables instead of two. This increased the applied prestressing force to $3 \times 141,000 = 423,000$ lb. The prestressing was applied by jacking both ends of the wires in order to reduce the friction loss from 45 to 22.5 percent. These conditions give the following ultimate prestressing forces:

$$\text{In section } A_0B_0, 0.85 \times 423,000 = 360,000 \text{ lb}$$

$$\text{In section } A_1B_1, 0.85 \times 0.775 \times 360,000 = 237,000 \text{ lb}$$

The loads to be considered are the same as those previously used for the model, but because of the increased width, they give the following values:

$$\text{Bending moment} = 164,000 \text{ ft-lb}$$

$$\text{Torsional moment} = 245,000 \text{ ft-lb}$$

$$\text{Maximum shear (Fig. 2)} = 32,900 \text{ lb per ft}$$

Hence the value for the maximum shear stress becomes

$$\frac{3 \times 32,900}{2 \times 11.4 \times 12} = 360 \text{ psi}$$

The compression in A_0B_0 due to the prestress is equal to 364 psi. Hence

the maximum principal tensile stress is

$$\sqrt{360^2 + \frac{364^2}{4}} - \frac{364}{2} = 222 \text{ psi}$$

Next the stresses in the section A_1B_1 are computed under the bending moment of 164,000 ft-lb and the axial compression of 237,000 lb and are found to be

In the concrete, 1,120 psi

In the steel, 9,500 psi

Again the calculated principal tensile stress is too high. Assuming the same error as for the model, this stress under working conditions would really be

$$222 \div 1.56 = 142 \text{ psi}$$

which is a low stress for concrete having a crushing resistance of 9,000 psi.

Deflections measured during the test of the model are shown in Fig. 3. They are quite reasonable under working load conditions. The deflections of the actual stairway will be less, first, because it is stronger than the model; and secondly, because the top support of the model was not rigidly fixed in space. The steel columns and their timber struts, which supported the top of the model, took some elastic deformation during the test.

During the laboratory test great care was taken to measure the loss of prestress due to the friction of the cables against the helicoidal channels cast through the slab. In the model prestressing of the two cables was from one end only; in the actual staircase prestress was applied simultaneously to each pair of wires at each end of the slab.

This staircase is exceptional not only because of its striking shape and the application of prestressed concrete to its construction, but also because of the artistic and elegant manner in which the architects finished it. The stair treads fixed on the slab are of stainless steel, and the handrails are of bronze supported by aerodynamically shaped verticals of stainless steel.

Credit for this unique engineering structure is given to the owners; to their architects, Messrs. Cole and De Roeck of Antwerp; to the consultant architects, Messrs. Smith, Hinchman and Grylls of Detroit and New York; to the general contractor, S. A. Blaton-Aubert of Brussels; and to all those who did their utmost to finish as perfectly as possible this engineering and architectural jewel.



PRESTRESS WAS APPLIED to actual staircase by six cables, each cable containing 16 wires of 5-mm diameter. Wires were post-tensioned by jacking them in pairs from both ends to a stress of 145,000 psi.

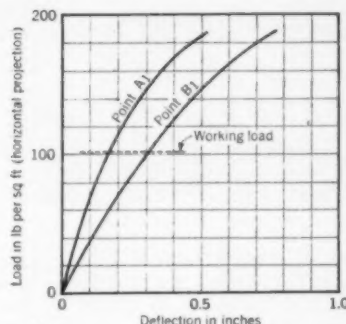


FIG. 3. DEFLECTIONS on loaded model were measured at A_1 and B_1 (Fig. 1).

STAINLESS STEEL TREADS, bronze handrails supported by stainless steel balusters, and precision workmanship contribute to perfection of unique engineering structure.





VIEWS looking east along neck of Presque Isle Peninsula from Kelso Groin (Fig. 1) show condition before (above) and after (below) stone-faced bulkhead construction in 1943-1944.



Beach protection engineers at Presque Isle Peninsula

BEACH EROSION has become a very serious problem on the Great Lakes because of the high value and extensive improvement of shore properties. Presque Isle, Fig. 1, a unique peninsula on Lake Erie, at Erie, Pa., is a compound recurved sandspit projecting about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from an otherwise straight mainland shore. From its root to its distal end it has a lake shore line about six miles long. The large landlocked bay between the peninsula and the mainland provides a spacious harbor which has been improved by the Federal Government as a deep-draft navigation project.

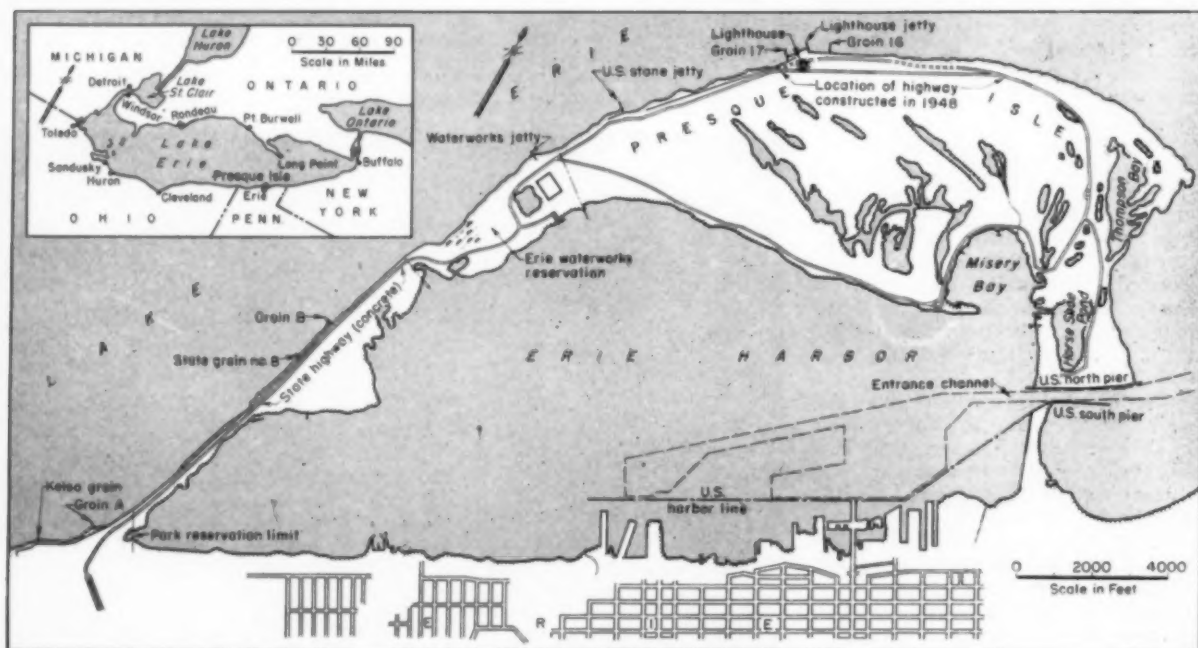
This was the first harbor project ever undertaken by the Federal Government under the Corps of Engineers, the original act authorizing improvement having been passed on March 3, 1823. The earliest survey

was that made by Maj. John Anderson of the Corps of Topographical Engineers, in 1819. Nine other surveys have been made, the latest in 1947. The chart, Fig. 2, shows the shore lines of 1819, 1866 and 1947, from which it can be seen that the peninsula has migrated toward the east. Measurement of the areas within the shore lines with a planimeter shows that there has been a net increase in area between 1819 and 1947 of approximately 68 acres. Since 1819 the project has been active, and almost continuous attempts have been under way to solve the problem of beach erosion, at least to the extent of preserving the harbor.

The peninsula fully justifies its name of "nearly an island" by shrinking to a width of about 250 ft at its shore connection. From this narrow

FIG. 1. STABILIZATION of Presque Isle Peninsula, which forms Erie (Pa.) Harbor, was first harbor project ever undertaken by Corps of Engineers. Erosion of this peninsula has been problem since 1823, and its narrow neck has been breached three times by

storms from west. After failure of control works built by U.S. Government and State of Pennsylvania, these agencies have combined to develop plan for comprehensive system of groins, bulkheads, and artificial beaches.



attempt to outwit nature

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neck it varies to a maximum width of about $1\frac{1}{4}$ miles toward the distal end. The lakeward shore of the spit is, in general, a flat sandy beach except where the neck has been protected by sea walls. Its regularity and continuity are broken only at points where protective works have altered the natural contour of the shore line. Presque Isle State Park, comprising about 3,200 acres, occupies practically the entire peninsula. An access road from the mainland enters along the neck of the peninsula and continues around its perimeter.

Neck of Peninsula Breached Three Times

Predominant littoral drift in this area is from west to east. During the period of record the supply of beach material from bluffs and streams west of the peninsula has been insufficient to replace the material eroded from the neck of the spit. Recession of the shore line has been greatest at the root of the peninsula, gradually decreasing to a nodal point about two-thirds of the length of the peninsula from the root, beyond which point accretion has occurred as the eroded material has been deposited.

The neck of the peninsula has always been considered extremely im-

portant to Erie Harbor since it forms a west breakwater, without the protection of which the harbor would be unusable. The neck has, however, been breached three times by heavy storms.

The first breach occurred in 1833 and remained until 1864, when it was closed by nature. Between 1836 and 1844, work was almost continually in progress in an unsuccessful attempt to close the breach. Finally it was decided to leave a westerly entrance to the harbor, and during 1836 and 1837, 2,340 ft of crib-work breakwater, equal to one-third the length of the breach, was built. Additional cribbing was built in 1838, 1839 and 1844. By 1852, practically all this cribbing had been destroyed. In 1853, 1854 and 1855, work was carried on to close the breach with a brush and stone revetment but it was not completed. All work was stopped from 1855 to 1864 because no appropriations were made. In 1864 the breach was closed by nature and the project for a western entrance to the harbor was abandoned.

In 1872, more brush and stone were placed to strengthen the neck, but it was again breached during a heavy storm in November 1874.

THE SENIOR author, Colonel Forney, was killed in action in Korea on November 29, 1950. When hostilities started last June, 1950, he was District Engineer at Buffalo. Because of this experience and his World War II service as an Engineer Group Commander, he was transferred in that July to Fort Campbell, Ky., to head such a group. He took part in the amphibious landings at Inchon, and participated with his unit in building several vital bridges during the Han River offensive.

This article is based on a paper prepared by the authors and delivered by Colonel Forney before the Waterways Division at the joint EIC-ASCE Summer Convention in Toronto. In it the authors discuss the forces which cause beach erosion, the effect of these forces, and the design of various types of remedial structures, as illustrated by the phenomena encountered on Presque Isle Peninsula, which forms Erie Harbor, at Erie, Pa. The beach erosion problems on a large lake, such as Lake Erie, are in many respects the same as on an ocean shore, and therefore the methods used at Presque Isle, if successful, will be widely applicable.

Bulkheads constructed during 1875, 1876 and 1877, to a total length of 6,547 ft, resulted in the closing of the breach in the latter year.

In 1881, nine pile jetties were constructed at right angles to the shore to prevent erosion. Eight of them, spaced at 200-ft intervals, were constructed at the neck, and the ninth was two miles further along the peninsula. In 1882, 2,000 ft of revetment were renewed, and in 1883 the bulkhead fences were repaired.

Principles of Beach Erosion Control Summarized

Basic problems of absorbing wave energy and controlling movement of beach material are fundamentally the same on large lakes as on ocean shores.

Total energy of a wave is very great. Force of moving water when converted to kinetic energy, as when a wave breaks, is capable of inflicting great damage.

Common method of measuring littoral drift is to compute yardage of material impounded by an existing structure.

On Great Lakes, erosion is rapid during high water level, and is retarded when water level is low.

Shore erosion can be controlled by one, or a combination of more than one, of the following methods—riprap, bulkheads, groins, artificial replenishment of beach, and provision of a "feeder beach."

Cellular sheetpile bulkheads are considered more reliable and no more costly than well anchored cantilevered steel sheetpile bulkheads. Cellular bulkheads are usually built to high-water level plus wave height, and landward side is paved.

Vegetation alone is totally ineffective against vigorous or continuous wave action, but planting of trees and shrubs reduces wind erosion of sand beaches and dunes.

Erosion of lake bottom at toe of vertical bulkhead may extend to depth below still water equal to height of waves acting on bulkhead.

Broad, gently sloping beach is most effective means of absorbing wave energy. If there is sufficient littoral drift, a system of groins will create such a beach. Shore end of groins should be built up above high-water level to height of anticipated waves, and groins should, where practicable, extend out to point where water is at least 6 ft deep if intended to trap littoral drift, or to the toe of the fill if a beach is built artificially.

Suitable beaches can be built up artificially by dumping or pumping hydraulic fill.

Where littoral currents carry inadequate supply of material, a "feeder beach" built up of dredged material will supply the down-drift areas.



STATE GROIN No. 8 (far left), of sheetpiles 20 ft long, extends 220 ft lakeward from stone-faced bulkhead. Built in 1931, outer 100 ft was subsequently destroyed by storms.

EXPERIMENTAL Groin B (left), of rubble-mound construction, built in 1943, extends 300 ft into Lake Erie. Its condition is still good.

In 1885, a timber crib and rubble-mound "sand catch," known as the Lighthouse Jetty, or U. S. Jetty No. 1 (Fig. 1), was constructed. In 1887, it was reported that for a distance of 5,000 ft west of the jetty, accretion up to 100 ft in width had taken place. This is the oldest protective work on the peninsula that is still in place.

In 1887, the Engineer Officer-in-Charge reported that the protection fences and pile jetties at the neck were in ruins, so that the effect was as though they did not exist. The last of these fences and pile jetties was carried away in 1893.

Planting of trees to prevent erosion was started in 1873 and carried on from time to time on a small scale. Despite the failure of these early efforts, a very vigorous planting campaign was inaugurated in 1896 and carried on intermittently until 1922. These plantings failed completely to prevent erosion along the shore during severe storms but have reduced the direct movement of sand by wind.

In 1900, the first of four experimental jetties was built. These jetties were to be built one at a time so that their effect might be studied. The first one, known as Stone Jetty, was a stone-filled timber crib 290 ft long, 12 ft wide by 11½ ft deep, and

had a "T" at its outer end 32 ft in length. The second of these jetties, known as the Water Works Jetty, was built in 1903. In 1907 it was reported that both these jetties had failed to prevent erosion, and the construction of the other two was abandoned. The two structures are still in place with extensive beaches on their up-drift sides, and it now appears evident that if they had been augmented by a comprehensive system of groins and bulkheads, erosion of the outer part of the peninsula might have been checked at that time.

In October 1917, the neck was again breached. An unsuccessful attempt was made in 1918 to close this breach by means of a pile and sheetpile bulkhead. Closure was again started in 1920 by construction of a rubble-mound wall 1,700 ft long, in a trench excavated to near bed rock with a sand fill behind it. This work was completed in 1922. To add further protection, the rubble-mound wall was extended eastward along the shore by riprap a total distance of 2,625 ft. All this construction is still in place, although it has been badly damaged in places from time to time.

In 1930 and 1931, 5,281 lin ft of steel sheetpile bulkhead were constructed, of which 5,050 ft were

faced with stone. Some of the stone facing has had to be reconstructed. East of Groin B, erosion is taking place at the toe of the stone facing, and it is evident that the quantity of stone will have to be greatly increased if the wall is to be maintained by that means.

All the bulkheads so far described were constructed by the Federal Government, and were located at the neck of the peninsula. In addition, the State of Pennsylvania has built approximately 2,600 ft of bulkhead along the neck of the peninsula and other bulkheads and numerous groins located further out on the peninsula in order to retain a beach and prevent the destruction of the highway. The history of the groins and bulkheads constructed by the state is no brighter than that of those built by the Federal Government. All the state groins have been built since 1927, and most of them are single-row sheetpiling.

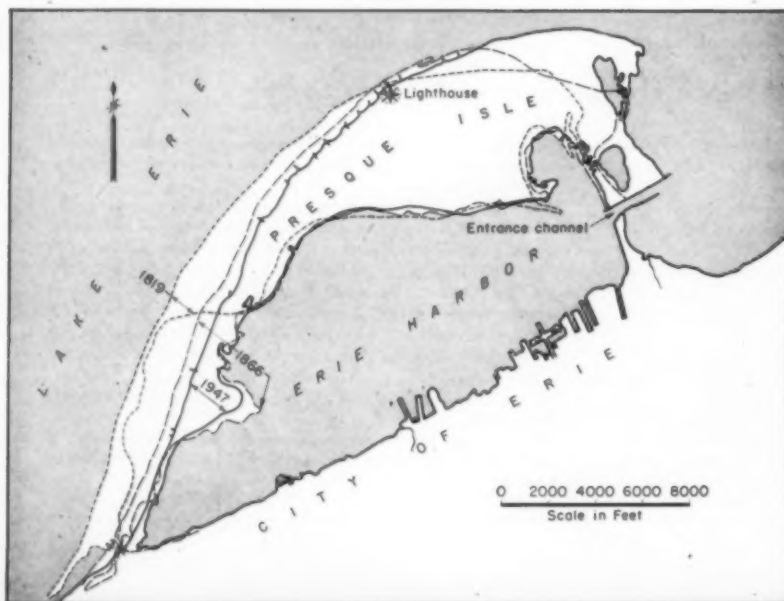
Between the Water Works Jetty and a point west of the Lighthouse Jetty, the works have been fairly effective and have succeeded in maintaining a reasonably stable beach. Between this point and the Lighthouse Jetty, the storm of 1942 attacked the beach and destroyed a part of the highway. Eastward of the Lighthouse Jetty the highway for a distance of almost a mile has been progressively destroyed and 200 to 300 ft of land carried away. Works in this area, consisting of bulkheads, cantilever sheetpile groins and two permeable groins built up of precast concrete blocks, have not only failed to protect the shore but have themselves failed structurally.

State and Government Prepare Joint Plan

A cooperative beach erosion control study for Presque Isle was undertaken in 1939 by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the Corps of Engineers, which forms the basis of the present proposed action. This study followed the general pattern of making topographic surveys, taking offshore profiles and measuring the quantity of material in movement.

To determine the rate of sand supply by littoral movement, either to the peninsula or along its lake-

FIG. 2. STORMS and littoral drift from west caused neck of Presque Isle Peninsula to migrate half mile eastward between 1819 and 1947. During same period, accretion at easterly tip of peninsula caused it to "grow" ¾ mile toward east.



ward face, two 300-ft stone groins (Groin A + Groin B) were built. These groins and 2,750 lin ft of sea wall eastward of Kelso Groin were completed in 1944.

A preconstruction survey was made in July-August 1943 to furnish basic data from which to observe the effects of the new work. Aerial vertical photographs were obtained and ground photographs of existing structures and beaches were made to serve as a permanent record of preconstruction conditions. The first post-construction survey was made in 1944. Since then surveys have been made annually at approximately the same time of year to avoid the effects of seasonal changes. By 1947, it was concluded that sufficient data were available to make a satisfactory analysis of the problem. Again profiles were obtained, a plane-table survey of the beach area was made, and aerial photographs of the lake-ward perimeter of the peninsula were taken.

Littoral Currents Supply Insufficient Material

From the data furnished by the periodic surveys, it was estimated that approximately 18,000 cu yd annually are supplied to the root of the peninsula, which includes all the material moving inside the 18-ft-depth contour. Between the two experimental groins (A and B, Fig. 1), an annual loss of approximately 19,000 cu yd of sand occurred, while in the 31,000 ft east of Groin B, the annual sand loss was approximately 285,000 cu yd. It was established that the rate of supply of material was inadequate to maintain existing beaches along the neck of the peninsula, or to rebuild beaches with the aid of groins designed to trap the natural supply. Wave refraction diagrams confirmed the available information that easterly storms have caused less damage than those from the west.

The proposed protection has at least three distinct purposes: (1) preservation of the neck of the peninsula to protect navigation improvements in Erie Harbor, (2) stabilization of the existing shore line and uninterrupted use of the access road along the neck of the peninsula, (3) restoration of bathing beaches.

To preserve the neck of the peninsula as a breakwater for Erie Harbor, construction of a heavy bulkhead would suffice. In fact bulkheads have already been built along most of its length, but have been only partially successful, and their maintenance has been costly. Also such breakwaters cannot accomplish the

second and third objectives mentioned above. For these reasons the plan considered most satisfactory for protection of the neck is the restoration of sand beaches by artificial fill and construction of groins to materially reduce the rate of littoral movement and the loss of sand.

All three objectives can be accomplished by the construction and maintenance of a beach. A wide beach will absorb the energy of storm waves and prevent overtopping of existing sea walls and bulkheads and consequent inundation of the highway. It is planned to place a beach about 300 ft wide along the neck, to a point about midway between Groin B and the Water Works Jetty, a project that will require about 1,500,000 cu yd of sand. The sand can either be pumped from the east end of the peninsula or brought into the bay by "sand-suckers" and pumped over the neck. It is also proposed to construct groins to retard the littoral movement of this sand.

"Artificial nourishment" from feeder beaches is also required for the protection and improvement of the peninsula east of this point. The use of bulkheads in this part of the lake-ward face is not considered as essential as along the neck, where they serve as the last line of defense for protection of the highway and harbor in case of temporary loss of a part of the beach. East of the neck, the highway and other permanent installations are far enough away from the shore line to be out of immediate danger. It is therefore proposed to place a stockpile or feeder beach of sand at the easterly end of the neck, near the water works, to serve as a source of supply on which littoral currents can draw to distribute sand along the beaches to the east. Approximately 1,000,000 cu yd is considered adequate for the initial fill.

There is no way of predicting what the rate of loss from this feeder beach will be. It is therefore proposed to make periodic surveys following placement of the sand to determine whether the construction of groins would reduce the rate of littoral movement and thus reduce the annual costs. If the required average annual replacement of sand to the feeder beach can be sufficiently reduced to more than offset the amortization costs for the groins, their construction would be justified.

Adoption of a project, the cost of which would be shared by the Federal Government and the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, has been recommended by the Chief of Engineers in his report on the cooperative beach

STATE GROIN No. 17, built in 1947 of steel sheetpiles 20 to 35 ft long, extends out 300 ft and is still in good condition.



MIDDLE THIRD of State Groin No. 16 (Fig. 1), built in 1947 of steel sheetpiles 20 to 36 ft long, failed in same year it was constructed. Beginning of failure is shown.



STATE BULKHEAD 800 ft east of lighthouse (Fig. 1), constructed in 1932 of steel sheetpiling 20 to 22 ft long, failed in numerous places during 1943.

erosion control study. The report has not yet been presented to Congress for authorization of the proposed project. During the critical period which has existed since the study was completed, consideration of civil works projects not directly connected with the defense effort has been delayed and subordinated to more urgent matters.

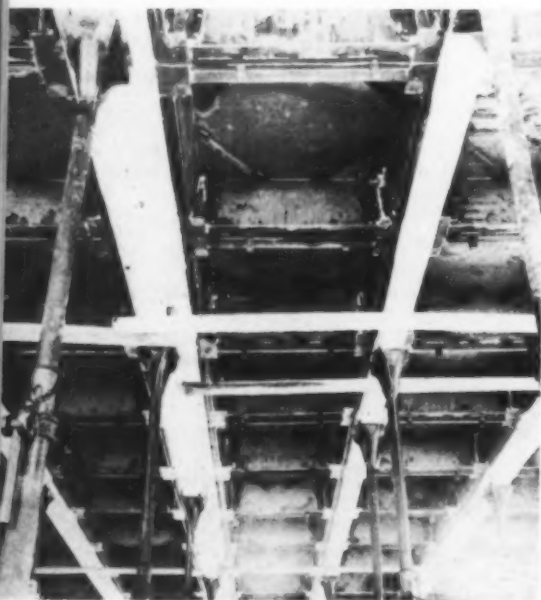
The proposed improvement of Presque Isle Peninsula is particularly interesting because it involves the combined use of practically all the conventional methods of erosion control. It illustrates the utter futility of trying to cope with such problems by halfway measures and inadequate structures. Such structures are usually the result of imperfect understanding of the problem, and thus further illustrate the value of detailed survey data. With such data, a problem can be solved with reasonable hope of success; without them, the design becomes largely a matter of guesswork and rule-of-thumb.



FINISHED CEILING before application of two spray coats of paint clearly reveals structural framing. Formed surfaces required no rubbing. In this grocery store area, unconstructed span is 40 x 74 ft.



TOP VIEW of steel-pan forms in place shows reinforced steel for roof joists and slab. Reinforced concrete joists 8 in. deep are 6 in. wide on bottom, and are covered by 2 1/2-in. slab. Roof joists were generally reinforced with two 1 1/8-in. square bars the short way, with one bent up, and two 1-in. round bars the long way, with one bent up. Extra bars, usually 1-in. rounds, were needed over the interior beams to take care of negative moments.



UNDER SIDE of steel-pan forms in place shows method of support. Pans are so designed that sides can be flexed for easy removal. Pans 3 ft square were manufactured from sheets 52 in. square by cutting out corners and bending down sides 8 in.

Steel-pan forms provide long-span

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USE of specially designed steel-pan forms for the roof of a one-story brick building recently constructed in Spring Branch, Tex., permitted the elimination of interior columns in the various areas, the largest of which, for the grocery store, is 40 x 74 ft. The unusual method of framing the reinforced concrete roof proved practical and economical and contributed to speed of construction. This building, called the Spring Branch Community Center, and owned jointly by Jay Fuller and John Jones, houses the post office, the school board, a grocery store and a print shop (Fig. 1).

The roof covers a total area of approximately 6,000 sq ft, divided into three panels as shown in Fig. 1. Each area is bounded by a system of concrete columns and beams, thus making it structurally a modified two-way slab design.

Because of the immediate availability of metal sheets 52 in. square for the steel-pan forms, a modular unit of 3 ft was chosen. Bending down 8 in. on each side of the sheet to form the sides of the pan, left a center 3 ft square. The joists are 8 in. deep and 6 in. wide on the bottom. They are covered by a 2 1/2-in. slab. The completed roof slab weighs 63 lb per sq ft and is designed for a live load of 30 lb per sq ft, in compliance with local building codes.

As shown in a photograph, the roof slab was left exposed on the under side to reveal the structural framing. The only treatment the slab received was two coats of white paint sprayed directly on the rough concrete. No rubbing of the concrete surfaces was considered necessary as the steel-pan forms left a true surface.

Several problems had to be solved to make this method of design workable. First came the problem of finding an economical method of forming the reinforced concrete joists.

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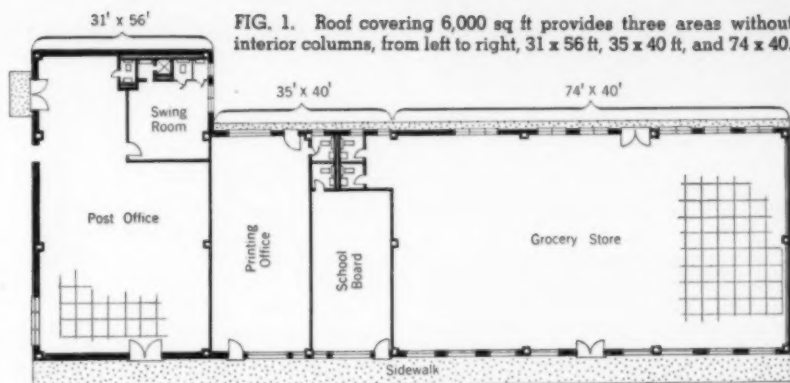


FIG. 1. Roof covering 6,000 sq ft provides three areas without interior columns, from left to right, 31 x 56 ft, 35 x 40 ft, and 74 x 40.

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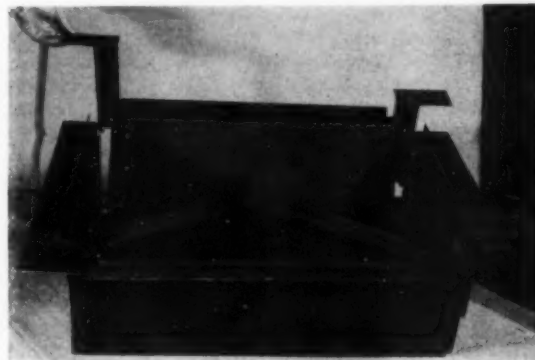
This problem was solved by the use of the steel pans described above. Wood forms were ruled out because they could not be reused often enough to make them practical. The use of sheet steel pans seemed to be the best answer, but no forms of this type were available.

The problem was explained to the J. & B. Manufacturing Co. of Houston, Tex. It was pointed out that if they made square pans they could reuse them on many different jobs, whereas rectangular pans for a one-way system would always result in a loss because expensive remaking would be necessary to fit different job conditions.

The company was to design and make the forms, erect them, and remove them. The contract price for this work was \$3,200, or 53 1/3 cents per sq ft. This price was agreed on before the building was designed in detail, as all competition on this building would be eliminated once it was designed on the basis of using such steel-pan forms. Then, on this basis, the plans were started. It had been agreed that a construction joint would be provided in the roof in such a location that only half the total number of steel-pan forms would have to be provided, as the joint would allow them to be reused once. Thus only enough forms for 3,000 sq ft were manufactured.

Several factors were considered in the design of the pan-type forms. First, since the concrete ceiling was to be exposed, lap joints had to be eliminated and all forms held true with tight joints. Second, in designing an all-metal form, soffits included, the ease with which the forms could be removed without damage was highly important. To accomplish this, a collapsible pan was devised which would permit flexing the sides for removal. Third, the forms had to

SQUARE STEEL-PAN FORM, of 16-gage metal sheet, has removable corner pieces, to make it collapsible for easy removal and reuse. Designer and maker of these forms, J. & B. Manufacturing Co. of Houston, Tex., erected and removed them on job, as subcontractor on form work.



be built so that they could be quickly set on the skeleton framework, which consisted of 4 x 6 stringers and adjustable shores spanning in one direction only.

All work on the building except the forming was done by the successful bidder, the Harris Construction Co. of Houston, Tex., for a contract price of \$47,000. This total can be broken down as follows:

Foundation and 4-in. concrete slab floor	\$ 4,602
Concrete columns	1,333
Roof and canopies	14,853*
Total for concrete work	20,820
Masonry walls, plumbing, lighting, finish work and hardware	26,180
Total contract price	\$47,000

This one-story brick building is supported on under-reamed footings and grade beams. The floor is a 4-in. concrete slab on sand fill. Because

* Includes \$3,200 paid to subcontractor, J. & B. Manufacturing Co., for form work.

of the unusually long spans and to eliminate compression steel, a concrete compressive strength of 3,750 psi in 28 days was found necessary in the columns and roof beams and roof slab. To obtain this strength, the following quantities were used, per cubic yard: 5.15 sacks portland cement, 1,275 lb sand, 2,025 lb gravel, and 26 gal water.

In this building, the wide unsupported spans provide a maximum of flexibility as well as additional rental space. Also, considerable economy was realized by the omission of a plastered ceiling and the elimination of any rubbing of the concrete. The finished structure demonstrates the success of the design, and the over-all cost indicates its economy.

Architectural plans for the building were furnished by the architect, F. Perry Johnston. The structural design and specifications were furnished by the writer.

Model study aids designers of spillway

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SINCE a curved channel cannot be designed by the classical theory of flow in open channels, model studies were needed for the spillway of the Lyman Run Dam. Foundation conditions required that the spillway be placed at one end of the dam, well into the hillside, with the result that the concrete spillway chute had to be curved to bring the water back into the river. A capacity of 25,000 cfs is required to handle expected floods.

Lyman Run Dam, an earth structure about 1,200 ft long and 50 ft high, is under construction in the Susquehannock State Park to create a 40-acre recreational area. It is being built for the General State

Authority and the Department of Forests and Waters of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania by Chester Engineers of Pittsburgh.

The normal discharge of Lyman Run will pass through the dam in a 5x5-ft concrete culvert, so that the spillway will be used only for flood flows. The bottom slope of the channel varies from 5 to 20 percent and is superelevated around the bend. The width tapers from 125 ft to 80 ft (Fig. 1).

Although much information is now available on the mechanics of supercritical flow and on the design of curved channels for such flow (see ASCE TRANSACTIONS for 1949, as a

recent source), the operating characteristics of a given design are still best predicted by model study. The investigation of the Lyman Run spillway was made in the Hydraulics Laboratory of The Pennsylvania State College, Department of Civil Engineering, at the instigation of the Chester Engineers.

To study flow conditions in the channel, particularly at the bend and at the bottom of the chute, a model of the initial design was constructed to a scale of 1:48 (1 in. = 4 ft), chosen both because of the facilities available and because it was desirable to maintain a reasonable depth of water in the model channel. The model has three parts—approach section, weir and spillway channel, and downstream basin.

The approach section is fed by the laboratory pumps through a 6-in. cast-iron supply pipe discharging into the bottom of a tank 6 ft deep, which overflows smoothly into the model. A standard calibrated thin-plate orifice installed in the supply pipe measures the rate of flow. This approach section, built in timber made watertight by calking and painting, duplicates an area 400 ft long and 300 ft wide, just upstream of the spillway. South and north wing walls direct the water toward the spillway.

The weir and spillway channel were made of 20-gage galvanized steel sheets.

The downstream basin, that is, the water level in it, may affect flow conditions in the spillway channel. Therefore as large a part of the basin as space limitations permitted was constructed in the model and the studies were extended to include various water-surface elevations in this basin. Contour lines in the basin were drawn to scale on sheets of tar paper laid on the floor. Long strips of sheet metal of uniform width were then placed vertically and made to conform with the contours. These

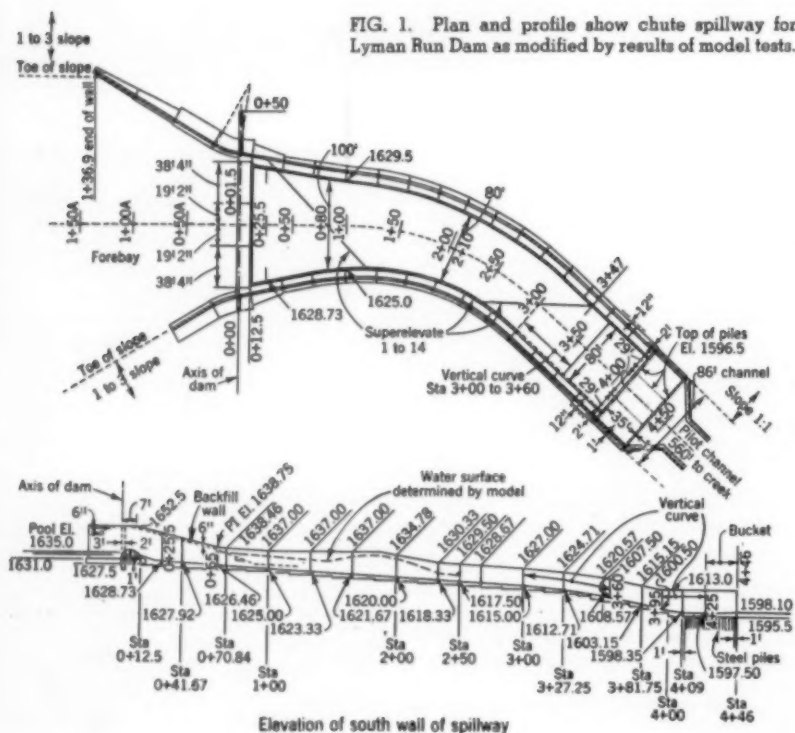


FIG. 1. Plan and profile show chute spillway for Lyman Run Dam as modified by results of model tests.

for Lyman Run Dam

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strips were of such height that their top edge corresponded accurately with the ground contour elevations. The space between the metal strips was filled with gravel, which was then covered by a thin layer of concrete. A shape was thus obtained which accurately duplicated the topography of the downstream basin.

Tests were made with discharge conditions representing the range from zero to 25,000 cfs, and with water-level elevations in the downstream basin corresponding to pool elevations between 1,600 and 1,625 ft.

Operation of the spillway channel, as originally designed, was found to be satisfactory only for flows up to 18,000 cfs. Because of the changes in direction of the walls, shock waves appeared at the entrance section. These waves, their interferences and reflections, are typical of high-velocity flow in curved channels. For rates of flow greater than 18,000 cfs, the amplitude of the waves was such that the channel overflowed. These conditions were the same for all water-surface elevations in the downstream pool.

At the upstream end of the channel, the height of the wing walls directing the water toward the spillway was found to be insufficient. Therefore these walls were raised to avoid overflow just upstream of the spillway weir.

Although no scouring measurements were made, observation of flow conditions in the downstream basin showed that high erosive action could be expected on the river bank opposite the discharge end of the spillway.

The original model showed that the spillway, as initially designed, was inadequate to carry flows greater than 18,000 cfs. An even lower capacity might be expected in the prototype owing to greater air entrainment and insufflation. The design was therefore revised to provide an improved entrance section, greater

lateral superelevation of the channel bottom (1:14 instead of 1:28), and a longer apron at the lower end of the spillway. Furthermore, it was decided to choose the height of the walls from the model results.

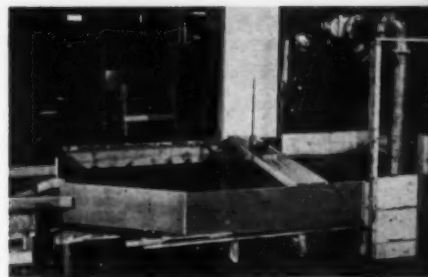
The model of the revised design showed greatly improved flow conditions. A shock wave, generated at the toe of the weir on the north wall, crossed the channel and was reflected by the south wall. This wave met another wave generated at the toe of the weir on the south wall. These conditions were qualitatively the same for all rates of flow. The amplitude of the waves was much smaller than in the original design.

Free-flow conditions in the upper part of the channel were unaffected by the presence of a hydraulic jump in the downstream basin. When the water surface in this basin reached an elevation of 1,615, the hydraulic jump was located at the lower end of the channel. For greater surface elevations, the hydraulic jump affected the flow in the lower part of the channel.

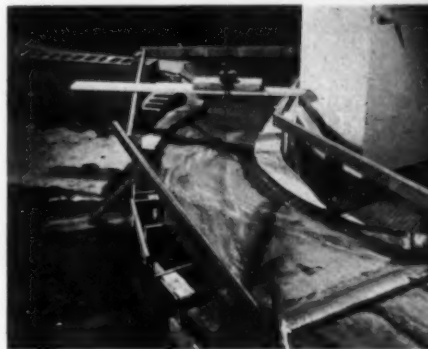
The revised design not only showed improved flow conditions but also appeared to have the necessary capacity.

The model study provided the following information for the designers:

1. Need for a steeper lateral slope on the superelevated portion of the bottom of the spillway.
2. Need for higher walls, and the region in which the increased height was required.
3. Need for a different type of approach to the spillway from that originally designed.
4. Wave conditions that would be encountered if a pool should form in the valley downstream from the dam.
5. Danger of large scouring forces under flood conditions, this factor being of importance in planning for the maintenance of the dam and spillway.



WATER from laboratory pumps is discharged through 6-in. cast-iron supply line at bottom of 6-ft-deep tank at right, whence it overflows smoothly into approach section of model, at left.

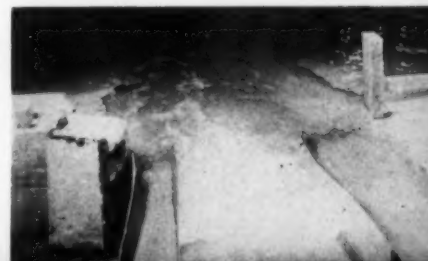


FIRST MODEL of spillway chute developed shock waves which overflowed walls at equivalent flow of 18,000 cfs.



REVISED MODEL, with steeper superelevation and higher outside wall, safely carries flow equivalent to 25,000 cfs.

HYDRAULIC JUMP is formed at lower end of spillway channel with downstream pool at highest elevation (1,625) and spillway carrying equivalent of 25,000 cfs.



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Heavy industrial development dictates tough construction site for Monongahela

IN REBUILDING Locks No. 2 on the Monongahela River at Pittsburgh, Pa., Army Engineers were faced with bad foundations, unstable banks closely built up with vital industrial facilities, and heavy river traffic which must not be seriously hampered.

The construction work, which is being supervised by the Pittsburgh District, Corps of Engineers, U.S. Army, is being undertaken in two stages. The first stage, building of the new riverward lock while the old landward lock is kept in operation,

is completed. The second stage, building of the new landward lock while the new riverward lock carries the traffic, is now in progress.

Locks No. 2 are at Braddock, Pa., a suburb of Pittsburgh, on the Monongahela River at a point 11.2 miles above its mouth. These locks are now the first navigation structures above the mouth, since the Locks No. 1, originally located about 8 miles downstream from Locks No. 2, were rendered unnecessary in 1937 by improvements in the navigable-water depth.

The old Locks No. 2, completed in 1906, consisted of twin parallel structures with lock chambers 56 ft wide and 362 ft long. The lock walls were supported on wooden piles driven into a gravel foundation. The structures were built with natural-cement concrete, apparently placed in layers about 12 in. thick. After about 45 years of service, the condition of the concrete, although varying considerably in different parts of the structure, was generally poor. This condition, the obsolescence of the mechanical equipment,

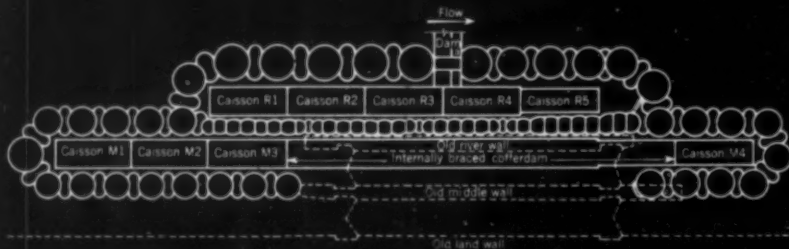


FIG. 1. FIRST-STAGE COFFERDAM for construction of new riverward lock utilized old middle wall, specially braced.



NEW RIVERWARD LOCK is seen under construction in first-stage cofferdam (left) while old landward lock passes river tow. Need of keeping one lock always in operation cut off contractor's land access and required assembly of equipment and materials by water.

HEAVY INDUSTRIAL USE of river banks, seen in view of old locks (below) was chief determining factor in location of new locks at same site as old, although construction problems were thereby complicated.



Locks No. 2

and the poor condition of the foundations, made replacement of the locks essential if extraordinary measures for keeping them in service were to be avoided. Furthermore, the capacity of these locks was inadequate for present-day river traffic.

Old Site Found Most Economic

When it became evident that the locks had to be replaced, many months were devoted to detailed studies of the problem. The first and most important item to be decided was the location of the new

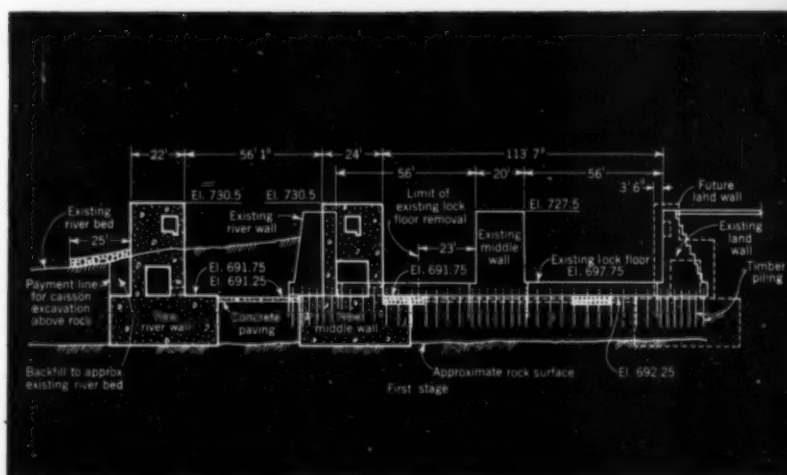
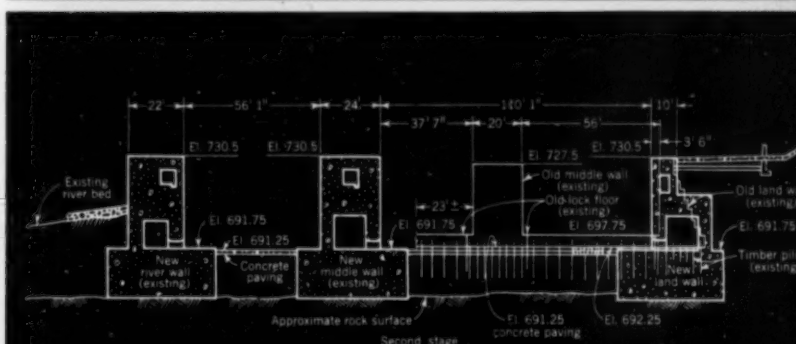
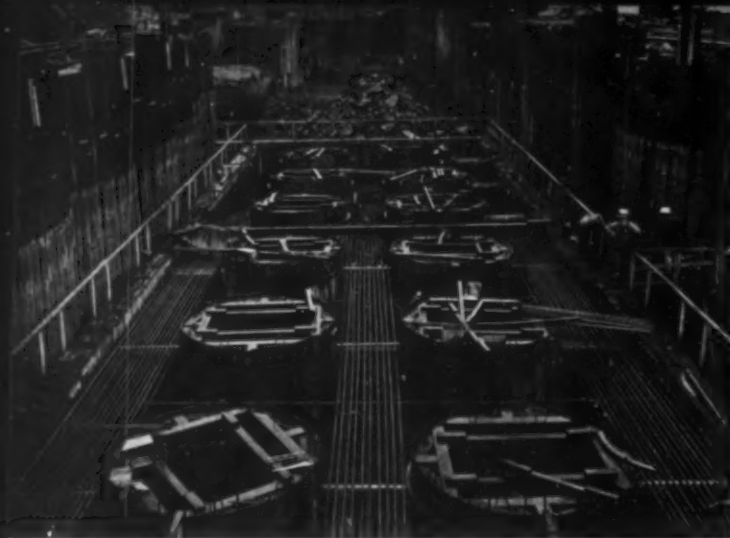


FIG. 2. CONSTRUCTION of new Locks No. 2, Monongahela River, is carried out in two stages. First stage (top) consisted of demolition of existing river wall and building of new river wall and new middle wall for riverward lock in first-stage cofferdam. Second stage (below), now under way, consists of demolition of old middle and land walls and construction of new land wall and appurtenant facilities in second-stage cofferdam.





locks. The Monongahela River in the vicinity serves a highly developed industrial area in the heart of greater Pittsburgh. Industrial plants and railroads are adjacent to both banks. There are also numerous river terminals for handling coal, coke, sand and gravel, cement, iron, and steel as well as other river commerce.

A large amount of industrial water is derived from the river. Water intakes and sewer outlets of large capacity have been provided in relation to existing pool elevations. The Pittsburgh, McKeesport and Youghiogheny Railroad, the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and the Union Railroad are on the right bank. On the left bank are the large river rail terminals of the Union Railroad, beginning about a half mile upstream from the locks and continuing upstream for more than a half mile. There are several river terminals immediately downstream from the locks. Immediately above and below the locks, the Edgar Thompson Works of the U.S. Steel Co. has large water intake and discharge facilities.

Approach Difficulties Further Upstream

Any change in the location of the existing locks was further complicated by the fact that Turtle Creek, a tributary coming into the Monongahela River approximately a half mile above the site, produces heavy flows after severe local rains over its watershed, which would cause serious approach difficulties to any lock located closer to its mouth than the present Locks No. 2. It was therefore decided that the most feasible and economical location for the new locks was the site occupied by the existing locks.

The exact location of the new lock walls with respect to the old ones was determined mainly by physical conditions at the site and by the necessity for maintaining river traffic. The location of the new middle wall had to be riverward of the old middle wall so that the old landward lock could remain in operation while the new riverward lock was being constructed. Also, the new middle wall had to be as close to the old wall as



CAISSONS for new river wall of riverward lock were 116 ft long. Top view, of one caisson under construction, was taken September 28, 1941. Middle view, showing outside concrete in place on caissons, was taken November 7; and bottom view, inside one of open caissons, showing foundation ready for concrete, was taken February 15, 1950. In all, five caissons were required for new river wall.

possible since the river channel is narrow at the site and the new locks must encroach on the flood channel to the least possible degree. With the position of the new middle wall thus fixed, the location of all walls was established (Figs. 1 and 2).

Construction by Cofferdam and Caissons

It was necessary for the existing middle wall to serve as an arm of the riverward cofferdam for construction of the new riverward lock. With the top of the cofferdam high enough to permit continuity of operations, studies showed that the wall would be loaded to dangerous limits, especially in view of the known questionable condition of its foundations. Even with the top of the cofferdam at an elevation so low as to be exceeded by flood stages on an average of nine times a year, the forces acting on the wall were found to result in horizontal, vertical and withdrawing loads on the supporting piles in excess of desirable values. In view of the shallow depths to which the piles were driven and the fact that a major wall failure would completely stop navigation, the assumptions had to be conservative. It was therefore concluded that it would be unsafe to employ the existing middle wall as a cofferdam arm unless external support were provided.

Various schemes for providing the needed support were studied. All had the drawback that they required alternate supporting and construction operations in short sections with much moving of supporting members and interference with rapid construction progress. With movements limited to a single lock, congestion and delay to river traffic was unavoidable during the construction period. It was therefore essential that construction be carried out as rapidly as possible.

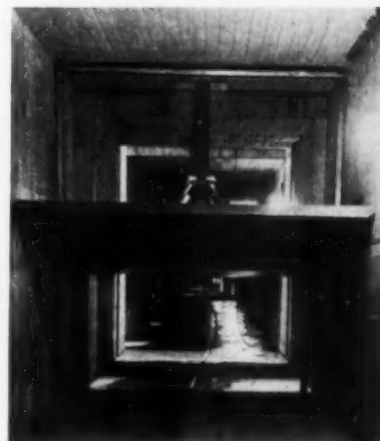
Open-cut methods for the construction of most of the new middle wall and that part of the new river wall adjacent to the existing dam were not feasible because of the danger of undermining the pile-supported old middle wall and the dam. Therefore these new lock walls had to be constructed either by caissons or by internally braced cofferdams. These methods were logically extended to all parts of the walls that were founded on rock.

Design Follows Standard Pattern

The lock design followed, in general, the standard pattern for structures of this nature on the Ohio River and its tributaries. The new river wall contains the facilities for filling



PHOTO TAKEN from upstream on day new riverward lock was opened to traffic shows floodway bulkhead in center foreground, suspended in horizontal position from overhead structure.



DOWNSTREAM BUTTERFLY VALVE, seen in open position in gallery of new river wall, is similar to valve located near upstream end of gallery. Similar gallery and butterfly valves are incorporated in new middle lock wall and will be incorporated in new land wall.

BY SUPPORTING old middle lock wall with struts, contractor was able to use it as part of first-stage cofferdam. See cofferdam arrangement in Fig. 1.



and emptying the new river lock. These facilities include intake ports at the upper end of the wall, a gallery approximately 12 ft high and 13 ft wide running the full length of the wall, and discharge ports at the downstream end of the wall. Ten outlets running from the culvert to the lock chamber, are spaced through the length of the lock chamber. Butterfly valves are located at the upper and lower ends of these outlets. By coordinating the operation of these valves with that of the upper and lower lock gates, it is possible to fill and empty the lock chamber by gravity flow. The new middle wall contains similar filling and emptying provisions for the new 110-ft-wide landward lock, the design of which is discussed more fully later.

Near the top of the new walls is a gallery approximately 6 ft wide and 6 ft 6 in. high, in which are located the oil lines for the hydraulic operating machinery and the cables of the electric system.

Flow Obstruction Compensated

As has been mentioned, the river is fairly narrow at the lock site and the valley upstream is highly industrialized. Flood stages are therefore a matter of grave concern, and one of the conditions of the design was that the new construction should not contribute to increased flood stages upstream. Since the new construction extends some 60 ft further into the river than the old structures, it was necessary to devise some means of counteracting this increased obstruction to flow. Furthermore, it was considered desirable to provide some means for emergency closing of the lock in case an accident should damage the lock gates.

To meet these needs an emergency bulkhead was designed and constructed just upstream of the upper lock gates. The structure consists of two piers, one on the river wall and one on the middle wall, with a bulkhead spanning between the piers. Operating very much on the principle of overhead garage doors, the bulkhead can be lowered to form a dam across the 56-ft lock just above the upper gates.

Standard miter-type lock gates cannot be operated against any substantial head. Therefore it would have been impossible to open both the upper and lower lock gates simultaneously without some provision for blocking the flow through the lock while this was being done. With the new bulkhead, however, the procedure when extreme flood stages threaten is simply to lower the bulk-

head, open the upper and lower lock gates and then raise the bulkhead, thus providing a free chute through the lock for the flow of the river. This chute capacity more than offsets the loss of river-flow capacity resulting from the fact that the new locks are wider than the original ones. Normally, the bulkhead is stored in a horizontal position spanning the lock at an elevation high enough not to interfere with traffic through the lock. No such bulkhead is contemplated for the landward lock.

Bids for the new river lock were opened on November 23, 1948. This work included the construction of the new river wall, the new middle wall and all facilities necessary for placing the lock in operating condition. This lock is 56 ft wide and 360 ft long. The Dravo Corporation of Pittsburgh, which was the low bidder with a bid of \$7,263,136, started work on December 28, 1948, and completed it in June 1951.

The contractor elected to use the cofferdam method of construction with a combination of internally braced cofferdam and open caissons within the general confines of his over-all cofferdam.

Access by Water

Access to the work was restricted and practically all materials had to be moved in by water. The only land access was a secondary road running through the storage yard of the U.S. Steel Co. This road had only limited clearances and was not suitable for heavy truck traffic. Furthermore, it would have been difficult to establish any satisfactory method of transporting materials brought in by land across the operating lock to the construction site. Consequently, the contractor set up the job and prosecuted it successfully using the river almost exclusively for the transportation of equipment and materials.

Different Problems on Landward Lock

New and different problems had to be resolved in designing the land lock. This lock, which is 110 ft wide and 720 ft long, will permit 13 standard Ohio River barges and a towboat to pass through at one time, a tremendous increase over the present capacity.

As has been pointed out, the middle wall, which serves both locks, was constructed under the first contract. The second contract, now in progress, consists of constructing the new land wall and the upper and lower sills, setting the lock gates, and performing such other construction as is

necessary to put the new land lock in operating condition. Dravo Corporation was low bidder on this lock also, at a bid price of \$7,967,667.

The new land wall is similar in design to the other walls. It contains a culvert which, together with the culvert in the new middle wall, constitutes the means for filling and emptying the landward lock. The land wall also contains a pipe and electric-cable gallery near the top, similar to the galleries installed in the other walls.

The principal difficulty was that of retaining the material back of the new land wall during construction. Explorations of the bank revealed the presence of highly plastic, black, silty clay. Because of extensive main-line railroad and yard tracks immediately landward of the construction, extreme caution during excavation must be exercised. Furthermore, the presence of major facilities of the U.S. Steel Co. floating in this zone requires that the zone be preserved in a stable condition during construction.

There is insufficient room between the railroad tracks and the new wall to permit excavation of the plastic clay on a stable, unsupported slope. The design therefore calls for a row of bank-supporting steel sheetpiling cells to prevent disturbance of this clay and of the bank during reconstruction. Downstream from the plastic clay, which runs only about halfway along the length of the new lock, excavation slopes in the granular artificial and natural fills found in the bank are unprotected.

The Reconstruction of Locks No. 2, Monongahela River, has constituted one of the more interesting design and construction problems encountered in the Pittsburgh area and has attracted considerable attention both from engineers and from navigation interests. When completed, the new construction will offer a modern, adequate navigation facility that should serve the Pittsburgh area for many years.

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MOST irrigation projects now under construction or planned in Ceylon are based on ancient works. One of oldest of these still in use is Kala Wewa reservoir and spillway (top) which dates back to fourth century B. C. Ancient methods of construction are also still used, illustrated by elephant (lower left) employed to pull boulders from canal bank. In ancient times elephants may also have furnished motive power for outlet gates. One of great reservoir builders of Ceylon was twelfth century king, Parakrama Bahu, whose statue in solid granite (lower right) stands near reservoir of Topa Wewa, said to have been largest of ancient reservoirs, covering 6,000 acres. Example of this great builder and restorer of irrigation works is being followed by island's present Irrigation Department.



Ceylon restores its ancient irrigation works

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THE ROLE of irrigation in Ceylon's agriculture in recent years has become of increasing importance to the island's population of seven million. Through archeological exploration, begun about 75 years ago, and reconnaissance surveys by the island's Survey and Irrigation Departments, extensive irrigation developments constructed centuries ago have been discovered and are now being restored and utilized in the expanding agricultural undertakings of the country. This article describes briefly a few of the ancient irrigation works and their importance in the integrated agricultural economy of present-day Ceylon.

IN CEYLON there is little underground water, so that supplies for irrigation must be obtained from the watersheds, streams, and rivers. The island as a whole is founded on Archean crystalline schist and various types of intrusions of deep-seated igneous origin. Only on the Jaffna Peninsula, which is a coral formation at the northern tip, are wells used extensively for irrigation. Although the greater part of the island is less than 500 ft above sea level, the south central part contains peaks such as Mount Pidurutalagala, which rises 8,281 ft above sea level.

Seasonal changes are caused by the monsoons, as the island lies in the path of both the southwest and the northeast monsoon. The former usually starts in May, is in full force by June or July, and is over by September. In this period about 40 in. of rain falls on the west coast. The fall is heaviest in the mountains, where it averages 80 in.; on the southeast, east, and northern part of the island, the average is about 20 in. The

northeast monsoon starts in October, when heavy downpours sweep in from the Bay of Bengal, and lasts through early January. The fall is heaviest in the hills on the east side of the island, averaging 40 in. during these months.

The island has one wet zone where the rainfall is from 75 to 200 in. and above per year. There are two dry zones, the southeastern and eastern coast zones, and the entire northern part of the island, where the rainfall varies from less than 50 to 75 in. per year. Extensive droughts and floods occur in the dry zones, where during a period of 10 successive years, rainfall is usually deficient for irrigation for 2 or 3 years, excessive for 1 or 2 years, and sufficient for the remaining 6 or 7 years.

The wet zone is the most fertile on the island, and here tea, rubber, coconut, and cocoa grow without irrigation. Rice, however, requires irrigation, and for it small diversions from the streams and village reservoirs are utilized. The plains areas suitable for rice cultivation are in the dry

zones, and since the rainfall, which at first glance seems ample, is concentrated over a few months only, irrigation is required to sustain this type of agriculture. Evidence that irrigation has always been required is found in the remains of numerous extensive ancient irrigation works.

The violent cyclonic rain storms to which Ceylon is subject may have been the cause of the final destruction of these ancient irrigation works. In 1897, for example, a rainfall of 31.7 in. in 24 hours is reported to have destroyed more than 160 reservoirs as well as roads, dwellings, and bridges. Lack of sufficient data on these storms complicates modern engineering design, although rain gaging is now more reliable, 500 stations having been established throughout the island.

Two methods of irrigation were used in ancient Ceylon. One was to store water in reservoirs, utilizing earth embankments as dams and depending on the catchment for the water supply. From the reservoir, the water was distributed either

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directly to the fields through primitive outlets in the embankment, or through canals. In the other system, part of the flow of a river was diverted into canals which carried it to fields at a considerable distance. To permit the diversion of larger quantities of water, temporary or permanent diversion dams were constructed.

The first irrigation works were what are known as village "tanks" (from the Portuguese *tanque*, or lake) which varied in size from 2 acres to 100 or more, depending on the water supply, the topography, and the requirements of the village. The water from these tanks was distributed equally among the villagers. The disadvantages of the village tanks were numerous. They were more expensive to construct than a few larger tanks would have been, and often they were not filled because the watershed was not adequate. It was important to have the tank near the village, and frequently not enough care was taken in selecting a good site

for it. Most of the small tanks were shallow, and it was not uncommon for half the storage to evaporate.

Later, when the art of building tank embankments or "bunds" was mastered, larger works were undertaken. Lengths of embankments extended up to 9 miles and heights up to 50 ft and more.

Earliest Reservoirs Probably Built in Fourth Century, B. C.

Panda Wewa, on the west coast (Fig. 1), may have been the first of the larger reservoirs to be built—probably in the fourth century, B. C. According to an inscription cut in the stone at the outlet works, it was repaired by a twelfth century king, who was responsible for the restoration of many other huge irrigation works. The embankment was breached early in the last century.

The embankment for the Panda Wewa tank was carried in a north-south line across the river, then southwesterly in order to butt up against a

large 250-ft-long flat rock. From the south side of the rock, the dam continued in a southerly direction and then swung upstream for approximately 2,000 ft until high ground was reached. A considerable amount of earthwork was saved by the change in the alignment of the dam. It is obvious that the valley had been carefully examined since the site was chosen to take advantage of the large rock to provide a safe spillway.

As the reservoir seems to have remained intact until the twelfth century, it would appear that the height to which the floods would rise over the rock had been correctly estimated. The embankment is 1.6 miles long and 22 ft above the sill of the outlet works, which must have been installed at a later date. The crest of the spillway was 13 ft above the outlet sill. An additional storage depth of 2 ft was provided later by a temporary dam, or possibly flashboards, erected between short stone pillars across the spillway. The top of the earth embankment was 8 ft wide, and the side slopes were $2\frac{1}{2}$ horizontal to 1 vertical. Later, experience taught the ancient engineers the advisability of adopting a wider top width and flatter embankment slopes. A layer of small boulders was placed, perhaps at a later date, on upstream slopes to protect against wave action. Such protection is found on all the larger embankments.

One rectangular culvert of the outlet works was constructed on low ground adjacent to the stream and another at a high level near the north end of the embankment. When the reservoir level was about 13 ft over the sill of the outlet, the water surface covered 1,050 acres, forming a reservoir of 7,200-acre-ft capacity.

Although this tank is surpassed in size by others, especially later ones, it is impossible not to admire the ingenuity of the early engineers who had the courage to construct a dam across a valley where floods of considerable volume had to pass. The average annual rainfall in the valley is about 85 in., and the maximum flood may amount to 14,000 cfs.

Pavat Kulam Tank, in the northern part of the island, where the average rainfall is 50 in. a year, is also believed to have been built in the fourth century, B. C. The dam was 1.8 miles long, and the distance from the sill of the lowest outlet to the spillway crest was 18 ft. The embankment was 28 ft high, and the crest of the dam was 8 ft above the maximum water level of the reservoir. The embankment slope on the upstream face was 3.2 horizontal to 1

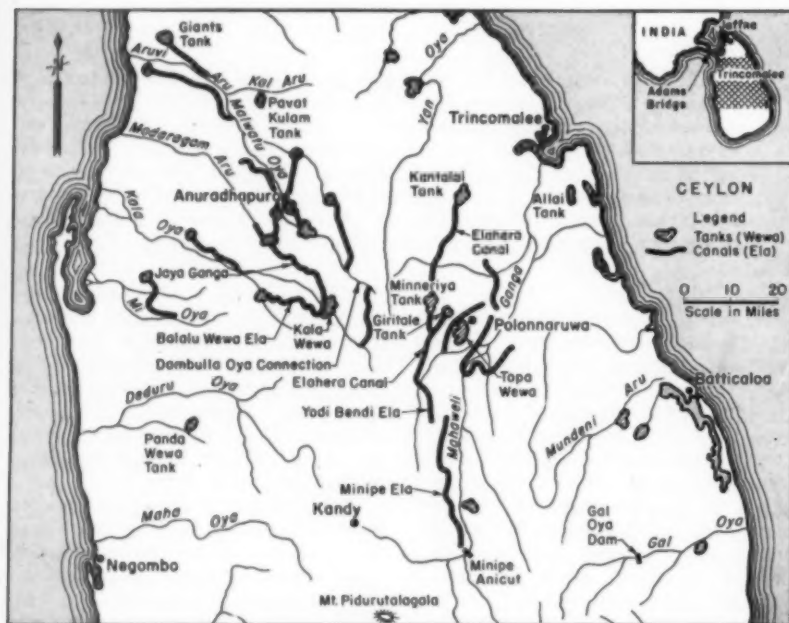


FIG. 1. CEYLON hangs like a pearl drop at end of coral reef chain called Adams Bridge, extending from India's southern cape. Ceylon is about 270 miles long from north to south, and has area of 25,000 sq miles.



DIVERSION DAM, called Minipe Anicut, on Mahaweli Ganga, Ceylon's largest river, diverted water into Minipe Ela (canal) for irrigation of large areas on left bank of river.

vertical, and on the downstream face, 2.6 horizontal to 1 vertical. By that time engineers were evidently beginning to realize that it was unnecessary to make the slope of the downstream face as flat as that of the upstream face. The upstream slope was, as usual, protected with small boulders and wedged rubble, extending downward from the water surface.

Three spillways were provided. The one at the southern end was 125 ft long, in line with the embankment. Its floor and ends were covered with large wedged slabs of carefully laid stone, those on the floor occupying a transverse width of 60 ft. The spillway was provided with a series of pairs of stone pillars, by the aid of which a temporary dam of logs and earth could be raised after the flood had passed, thus assuring an additional 2 ft of storage. A road bridge of stone slabs laid on stone pillars made it possible to cross the spillway during discharge. There were two more spillways at rocky sites, one 28 ft and the other 100 ft wide. These spillways were evidently insufficient because the embankment has been breached in three places. Water from this reservoir must have been used extensively as there were four outlets, or sluices, besides a culvert under the floor of the southern spillway.

Elephant-Powered Outlet Gates

The outlet works, or *bisokotuwa* ("the enclosure where the water level lowers") were all of similar construction (Fig. 2). There were three parts:

1. An inlet culvert, usually a single barrel, by which the water is led through the embankment, and which may have head and wing walls to suit the embankment slope.

2. A rectangular open gate well leading from the culvert and constructed near the point where the maximum water surface in the reservoir intersected the upstream slope of the embankment. This well was usually about 11×8 ft, with the small dimension along the axis of the culvert.

3. One or two discharge culverts leading from the well to beyond the downstream slope of the embankment. Here again, head and wing walls were constructed to suit the slope of the embankment.

MOST IMPRESSIVE of all ancient canals in Ceylon's eastern watershed is 1,600-year-old Elahera Canal, about 85 miles long. Structure shown at left splits Elahera Canal into two parts for diversion to Minneriya and Giritale Tanks (reservoirs). At right is outlet from Minneriya Tank to the canal. Irrigation Department of Ceylon is now restoring 20-mile reach of canal from Minneriya Tank to Kantalai Tank.

Outside the rock lining, against the embankment, there were usually brick walls from 5 to 6 ft thick, for stability. Outside the brick walls it is supposed that there was also a puddled clay backfill about 2 ft thick, to prevent creep and also, probably, leakage.

Rock for the lining of the culverts was usually gneiss 12 to 15 in. thick. Ancient tools which probably were utilized in quarrying the rock have been found, including hand drills, mason's chisels, picks, hammers, and various other implements. Rock slabs found among the ruins contain holes which indicate that they were mined by means of a set of drilled holes. Then steel or hardwood wedges were utilized to build up enough pressure to break out a length of slab.

One ancient *bisokotuwa* was discovered by the writer during a reconnaissance for a proposed dam site. These outlet works were well preserved; the invert, sides, and roof were constructed of well-fitted rock slabs still perfectly even and plumb. There were no recesses or holes, such as are usually found in similar structures, for attaching framing for tim-

ber gates. Two outlet culverts were $2\frac{1}{2}\times 3$ ft, and one single-barreled inlet culvert was 4×4 ft. What lifting arrangement was employed for these gates can only be surmised, but it is possible that elephants furnished the motive power. It is probable that elephants were utilized also to lift the 5-ton rock slabs used in the embankments and culverts.

Ancient Irrigation Works Still Usable

The area around Anuradhapura, ancient capital of Ceylon, is drained by three rivers running to the west coast and having a combined watershed of close to 3,000 sq miles. They are the Malwatu Oya, the Modaragam Aru, and the Kala Oya. All the irrigation works in this area are closely linked with these rivers, though they have their origin in the huge twin tanks, Kala Wewa and Balalu Wewa. Kala Wewa was built in the fourth century, B. C., to supply the capital, 54 miles away, with water and to help the farmers irrigate their lands. The second reservoir, Balalu Wewa, was constructed later. These two tanks have a combined capacity of 72,700 acre-ft. Their spillway is shown in a photograph.

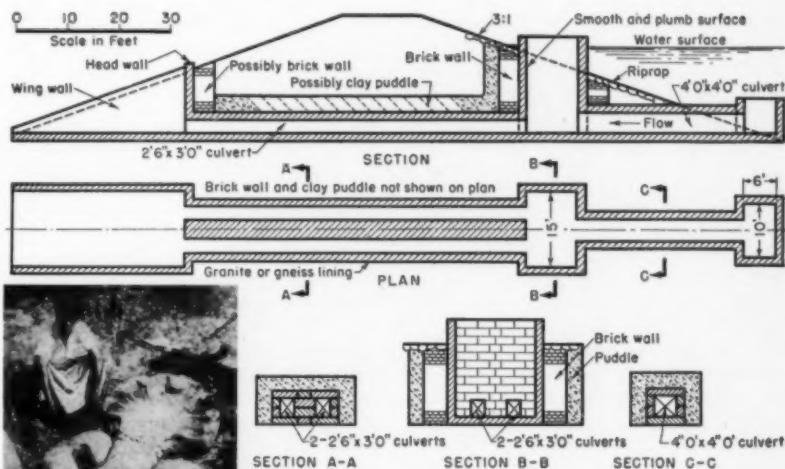


FIG. 2. TYPICAL OUTLET WORKS for ancient reservoirs on Ceylon, dating back to 300-400 B. C., show careful design and construction details. Carved image of cobra (left) is found at many ancient outlets, apparently placed there as sacred guardian of the water.



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From this twin reservoir emanated two main canals, the Balalu Wewa Ela and the Jaya Ganga. The Balalu Wewa Ela irrigated lands in the driest part of the province for a distance of approximately 15 miles, connecting with the Kala Oya at another tank. The Jaya Ganga carried water the 54 miles to Anuradhapura, where it fed and still feeds two tanks. After supplying the city with water, the Jaya Ganga carried the surplus along the west bank of the Malwatu Oya for several miles. This canal, an outstanding example of ancient irrigation engineering, was 40 ft wide and today has a capacity of 250 cfs. It meanders in easy curves and has a bottom gradient of only 6 in. per mile for the first 16 miles, although a gradient of about 1 ft per mile was most common in the ancient canals.

Farther down the Malwatu Oya, or Aruvi Aru as it is called near its mouth (Fig. 1), there were two schemes for diverting the river water into canals. One, on the right bank, led to the Giant's Tank, which had embankments about 6 miles long and was shaped like a triangle having a wide curve in front, making it possible to irrigate land on both sides of the tank as well as in front. Although the supply canal was started from both ends, it was never completed. The grades have been checked and found to be reasonably accurate. The total length was $11\frac{1}{2}$ miles and a drop of only 12 ft was available.

Use of Leveling Device Indicated

The fact that work on different sections went on at the same time refutes the contention that the ancients were only able to construct their canals with such precision and flat gradients by bringing the water along with them as they excavated. They must have had some kind of a leveling device, perhaps a primitive arrangement of two clay pots connected by a long tube and filled with water.

More impressive was the second scheme mentioned above, which diverted water from one watershed to another to augment the supply to Anuradhapura. A stream from the watershed most affected by the southwest monsoon was diverted through a large cut in a saddle to pass down the Dambulla Oya which feeds the Kala-Balalu Wewa. This link probably made the entire scheme practicable.

In its magnitude and in the foresight exercised in its design, the system for irrigating large areas around Anuradhapura compares favorably with modern storage and irrigation

works. It is not certain, however, that the various links and diversions functioned at the same time. There were periodic invasions by enemies, and undoubtedly many tanks and canals were destroyed at such times. It is likely that irrigation works thus destroyed were not restored.

The eastern watershed of the island also has extensive irrigation developments. The main river in this region, Ceylon's largest, is the Mahaweli Ganga (Great Sandy River), which has its headwaters in the mountains. The lower reaches receive additional water from the northeast monsoons. Where the Mahaweli Ganga leaves the mountains for the plains, it rushes through a narrow gorge and turns northward. At the bend called the Minipe Anicut are ruins of an ancient overflow dam, behind which the river was backed up to a considerable height. A canal, the Minipe Ela, was utilized to irrigate large tracts of land on the left bank.

The most impressive of all the ancient canals in this region is the 1,600-year-old Elahera Canal, a continuous waterway about 85 miles long, which carried water to lands near Trincomalee. The canal is remarkable in many respects. It begins in a dense forest region and intercepts many streams from the hills above. At the stream crossings, rip-rap protection was provided on the bottom of the canal as well as on the inside face of the embankment. Several rock spillways were placed at intervals in the embankment. Some of these spillways are 50 ft wide and provided with substantial wing walls. The culverts which permitted irrigation water to be distributed to the fields below the canal were built of cut rock. The average height of the canal embankment is 15 ft but in places it is 30 to 35 ft high. At many points, the canal runs between double embankments. Twenty-five miles from the point of diversion, the canal passes into the Minneriya Tank, and a branch canal goes to the Giritale Tank. From the Minneriya Tank, the Elahera Canal continues for another 20 miles to feed a large reservoir called the Kantalai Tank.

Another great tank, Topa Wewa (also called the Sea of Parakrama), near the city of Polonnaruwa, is claimed to have been the largest tank constructed in ancient times, and to have submerged an area of 6,000 acres. The embankment of this tank is nearly 9 miles long and has an average height of 40 ft above the original ground level. The berm is 20 ft wide at the top. There seems to be some uncertainty as to the date of its

construction, but it is believed to have been restored in the twelfth century. This great tank has recently been again restored by the Irrigation Department of Ceylon and now has a storage capacity of 98,000 acre-ft. It is capable of irrigating 20,000 acres in each of the two monsoon seasons.

Modern Ceylon Is Erosion Conscious

Following invasions and near destruction of the ancient Ceylonese civilization by armies from India, the cultivation of irrigated lands diminished for a number of reasons. Farmers and tank builders had to be diverted to fight the invaders, and many tanks and canals were destroyed or abandoned by the people, who sought refuge in the hills. Eventually it became necessary to import rice from India and Burma. Following the great malaria epidemic and famine of 1934-1935, the importance of repairing the ancient irrigation works and expanding rice production became increasingly evident.

There have been other changes closely associated with irrigation. In the nineteenth century tea was found to be a very profitable crop. As the best tea is grown on the highest and steepest hills, the dense jungle and forest-clad mountainous areas were stripped of their luxuriant vegetation. Soil erosion was invited by neglect of contour and terrace cultivation, and weeds and grass under the tea bushes were eventually eliminated. Now, however, Ceylon has become erosion and flood conscious, and there is a law prohibiting tea plantations above an elevation of 5,000 ft. But the damage has already been done; the monsoon torrents rush down the hill-sides carrying soil and debris to the rivers, increasing the flood hazard by building up sand banks in the rivers and sand bars at the river outlets. Many streams which once flowed continuously are now dry during parts of the year.

For these reasons the Irrigation Department of Ceylon is interested in restoring the ancient irrigation tanks. It must plan for the whole island and take into consideration the land available, the supply of water, and the distribution of the population. There is also much to be done in the way of flood control and hydroelectric development, which could ultimately change the entire standard of living on the island. Most of the projects now under construction or planned can be based on the ancient works, and with these for assistance and inspiration, Ceylon can continue to maintain her reputation for irrigation.

Ceylonese learn American methods quickly on Gal Oya Dam

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CEYLON'S Gal Oya Project is intended primarily to irrigate about 120,000 acres, but also serves to control floods and to provide some power. The dam is located on Gal Oya (Rock Creek) in the Eastern Province of Ceylon, about 22 miles from the east coast as the crow flies, at about 7-deg 12-min north latitude. (See map, page 42.) Its construction has combined the use of modern American methods with the training of previously unskilled local labor in the operation and repair of American heavy equipment.

Ceylon is a green and beautiful island. In the lowlands the temperature is very much like that in the Panama Canal Zone, although subject to slightly more variation, going as low as 65 deg F and as high as 100 deg F. The humidity is quite high. Racially, the people are of three main stocks, Cinghalese originally native to Ceylon, Tamils who came from India in various invasion waves, and European.

Since 1947, Ceylon has been an independent member of the British Commonwealth of nations, with about the same status as Canada. Prior to that, it was either partially or completely under European domination for over three hundred years, first under the Portuguese, then under the Dutch, and finally under the British. Because of this long exposure to European ideas, living standards generally are higher and the people generally more advanced than anywhere else in Asia outside of Japan and the Philippines. Buddhist, Hindu, Christian and Moham-medan religions have the greatest number of adherents in the order named.

The people are intelligent, quick to learn and eager to learn. On the Gal Oya Project, men with no previous experience with heavy construction equipment in a very short time have become competent operators of power shovels, crawler tractors, elevating graders, large Euclid trucks and other equipment. The success of this training program is best illustrated by the fact that on

this project there have never been more than 66 Americans, including construction, accounting, administrative and engineering personnel. The American personnel were carefully selected, and have worked hard and efficiently, but if the people of Ceylon had not been receptive and capable, the present achievement would have been impossible. All the Ceylonese lack is training and experience. On the work here described quite a large number of them have obtained training which should be of inestimable value to Ceylon. However, one large job is not enough to develop men with the experience and ability to organize and direct

a large construction operation. Experience in the United States has shown that such men are developed only by working through several large operations.

Jungle Covered Entire Dam Site

Where not kept back by continual cultivation, the jungle covers everything in Ceylon. The site of a great city, Polonnaruwa (see map, page 42), was lost for centuries in the jungle, although the extent of the ruins of the marvelous ancient structures indicates that once it must have had a population of over a million. The jungle abounds in birds and game. In the vicinity of the Gal Oya Project there

BEDROCK at dam site is granite gneiss in form of dome-shaped hummocks.



SOD for protecting downstream face of dam was obtained from shores of existing tanks (reservoirs) nearby. Frequent rains seriously hampered work of slope protection.



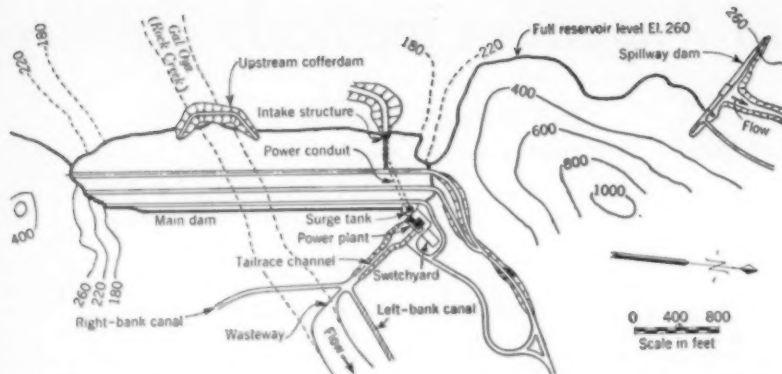


FIG. 1. MAIN DAM of Gal Oya Project rises about 120 ft above valley floor. Structure is 3,600 ft long and contains 5,000,000 cu yd of earth fill.

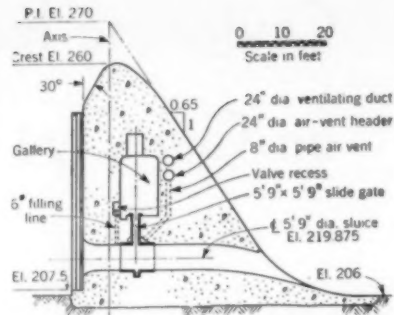
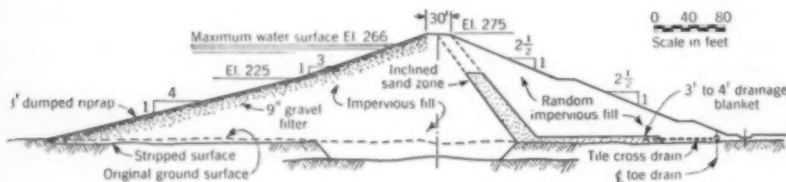


FIG. 3. SPILLWAY CROSS SECTION shows concrete gravity structure at lower end, where crest is at El. 260.0 for length of 120 ft.

are wild elephants, leopards, deer varying from the tiny mouse deer to quite large species, monkeys, and many other animals. The small bears deserve special mention. They are vicious, and will deliberately stalk and attack a human being alone in the jungle. When the work started, the project site was entirely covered by the jungle.

Dr. John L. Savage was engaged as a consulting engineer by the Government of Ceylon in 1946. In 1947, the Department of Irrigation entered into a contract with the International Engineering Co., Inc., to prepare contract drawings and specifications, and Richard Kahawita was sent to the United States to represent the Government of Ceylon while this work was being done. In 1948, the Department entered into a contract with Morrison-Knudsen International Co., Inc., to construct the project, and a little later into a second contract with the International Engineering Co. for the preparation of detailed designs and specifications.

Construction men and equipment were moved in to the site early in 1949, and work started immediately. Progress has been good. The spillway dam is already completed; the main dam is to be completed in August or September of 1951 and the powerhouse a little later. In February 1951, the construction contract was amended to include seven miles of the left-bank canal.

The Gal Oya Project involves the creation of a reservoir by the construction of a main earth-fill dam, a gravity-type concrete spillway dam, and several small earth dikes, with facilities for the release of irrigation water and for the generation of power. (See Fig. 1.) The dominating feature of the landscape is Mt Inginiyagala, about 900 ft high, rising abruptly and alone from the surrounding flat lands, and forming the left abutment of the main dam.

The main dam (Fig. 2) rises about 120 ft above the general level of the valley floor, is about 3,600 ft long, and contains about 5,000,000 cu yd. Under the central third of the dam, all overburden and weathered rock were removed. The bedrock thus exposed is a granitic gneiss in the form of dome-shaped hummocks.

A trench 10 ft deep dug in this foundation rock had been planned with a reinforced concrete core wall in the center of the trench and extending up into the impervious fill for 10 ft. This core wall would have been a difficult thing to build, because of the variations in elevation of the rock domes. The rock proved to be so sound that the core wall apparently was not necessary anyway, so the idea was abandoned. The Government, however, insisted on short lengths of core wall at each abutment.

Carefully compacted impervious material was placed on this exposed rock in the center third of the founda-

tion to form the core of the dam. The zones outside the core, both upstream and downstream, were intended to be made of compacted semipervious material. However, extensive investigations made by the contractor immediately after moving in, showed that the overburden in the area was the weathered residual of the gneiss, and that it was all impervious. The only pervious material to be found was the coarse sand in the existing river channel, and this was expensive to get, since it had to be dredged by dragline. The design of the dam was therefore changed to introduce drainage zones of the pervious river sand. Under the downstream third of the dam, all vegetation and top soil were removed, and a layer of sand 3 to 4 ft thick was placed on the clean overburden, from which an inclined zone of sand was extended upward (Fig. 2). The horizontal layer is drained by a system of concrete tile. These drainage zones will keep the line of saturation well away from the downstream surface.

Under the upstream third of the dam, also, all vegetable matter and top soil were removed, but the fill was deposited directly on the clean overburden.

From the construction standpoint the disintegrated gneiss is an ideal material. It is structurally strong, with an angle of internal friction of 35 deg. It is tight, and the frequent rains do not make the borrow pits

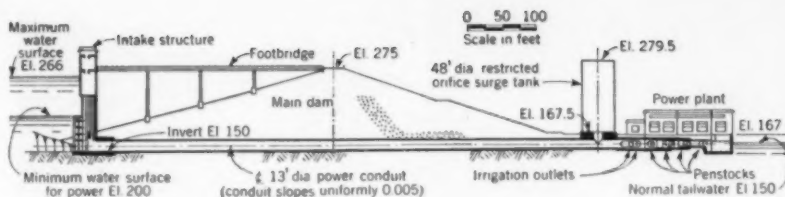


FIG. 4. WATER OUTLET for irrigation and power is dug in solid rock. Pipe is completely surrounded by reinforced concrete designed to take load of dam and external water pressure when empty.

TABLE I. UNITS COSTS OF GAL OYA PROJECT

Clearing and grubbing borrow areas, per acre	\$175.20
Excavation, all classes, for foundation of main dam, per cu yd	1.33
Excavation, common, in borrow areas, and transporting, per cu yd	0.37
Placing earth fill in dam, per cu yd	0.167
Sodding downstream slope of main dam, per sq yd	0.80
Diamond drilling for grouting, between 20 and 50-ft depths, per lin ft.	4.59
Mass concrete, per cu yd	24.66
Reinforced concrete, intake structure, exclusive of steel, per cu yd	59.98
Reinforced concrete around steel water conduit, exclusive of steel, per cu yd	31.51
Concrete in powerhouse substructure, exclusive of steel, per cu yd	37.53
Furnishing and placing of reinforcing steel, per lb	0.128
Furnishing and placing of steel water conduit, per lb	0.198
Furnishing and placing of surge-tank steel, per lb	0.202

or fill muddy. Water quickly runs off, and work can be resumed half an hour after a rain.

On the downstream face of the dam there is a carefully designed surface drainage system. It was obvious that the disintegrated gneiss would erode badly under frequent rains of an intensity of 4 in. per hour, and that the downstream surface would have to be protected. The Government decided to sod it, and a drainage system was therefore necessary. The sod was obtained from the shores of existing tanks (water storage reservoirs, see preceding article by Mr. von der Lippe). These tanks were several miles away, and hauling and placing the sod and getting it to grow proved very expensive. The frequent rains damaged work already in place so that considerable areas had to be done over. It would have been better to protect the downstream face by an adequate layer of crushed rock.

The concrete gravity spillway dam has six 5.75 × 5.75-ft sluice gates, and a free overflow spillway 770 ft long (Fig. 3). For 120 ft of this length, the crest is at El. 260.0, which is the normal full reservoir water surface. For the remaining 650 ft, the crest is at El. 260.25. The slight difference in crest elevation tends to concentrate small overflows where the water can get away best. The maximum flood peak in 14 years of record has been 86,600 cfs. All flood peaks have been very sharp

as the floods are of short duration. Assuming a flood with a peak of 150,000 cfs beginning with a full reservoir (water surface at El. 260.0), the water surface would rise to El. 269.0, and at that elevation a maximum of about 86,000 cfs would pass the spillway. The sluice gates are power operated by means of hydraulic cylinders. Two sources of power will be provided, a transmission line from the powerhouse, and a gasoline-engine-driven generator in a chamber in the spillway dam itself.

The earth dikes are small and there is nothing unusual about them.

The water outlet for irrigation and power purposes is near the left abutment of the dam. A trench was dug in solid rock, and in it a welded steel pipe of 13-ft diameter was laid. The pipe was completely surrounded with reinforced concrete, designed to carry the load of the superimposed dam and external water pressure when empty. A reinforced concrete control tower, at the upstream end of this water conduit, houses the control gate and its hoist. Steel trash racks are arranged in an arc around the upstream face. At the downstream end of the water conduit is a surge tank, with a restricted orifice, followed by a steel manifold, from which branch off two pipes for irrigation release and four pipes for the four turbines. Only two of the turbines will be placed initially.

The powerhouse has a concrete

substructure, a steel superstructure, and exterior curtain walls of rubble masonry, covered on the outside by stucco and on the inside by plaster. The Ceylonese are excellent masons. It was originally intended that the curtain walls should be brick, but satisfactory brick could not be obtained on the island. Oil and coal must be imported and are therefore expensive, and the local brick is generally underburned.

Each irrigation outlet has a 66-in. Howell-Bunger valve and a 72-in. Dow valve in series. In ordinary operation the Howell-Bunger valve will be used. The Dow valve is upstream and intended only for emergency use.

Each generating unit will consist of a Francis-type turbine direct connected to an a-c generator. Turbines are rated as 3,300 hp at an 89-ft head. Generators are 2,750 kva, 0.9 power factor, three phase, 50 cycle. The generating voltage is 6,900.

Water from the turbines, or from the Howell-Bunger valves, will be discharged into a tailbay in which the overburden has been removed to rock. The sides of the tailbay are lined with concrete slabs. From the tailbay a discharge channel leads to a bifurcation structure, which is so arranged and gated that water can be sent down a left-bank canal or a right-bank canal, or wasted to the river between the two canals.

New Town Built in Jungle

At the base of the mountain at the left end of the dam, a new town has been built in the jungle and named Inginiyagala after the mountain. The buildings, generally of masonry, are provided with modern conveniences. Some were built by the government and some by the contractor. Almost all the houses have flowers around them, and banana plants. There are residences for some 20 American families, an office building for the contractor, an office building for the government, barracks and a mess hall for single Americans, a hospital, and barracks and residences for the Ceylonese. Outside the town area proper quite a settlement has sprung up, consisting of

MODERN CEYLON



CONCRETE GRAVITY spillway has crest elevation of 260.0 for 120 ft of its length. For remaining 650 ft, crest elevation is 260.25. This difference in height tends to concentrate small overflows where water can get away best.



SURGE TANK at downstream end of water outlet has restricted orifice and is followed by steel manifold with two outlets for irrigation and four for power, although only two turbines are to be installed initially.

native huts and boutiques (the Ceylonese term for a small store, probably dating back to the days of the Portuguese domination).

Many of the Americans have pets, including at least one leopard, monkeys, mouse deer, barking deer, parrots and mynahs. It is a matter of record that one day an American brought in a very pretty little live snake, carefully stowed in a tobacco can in his hip pocket. It turned out to be a Russell's viper, one of the deadliest snakes known.

In 1949 and 1950, the spillway dam was built in the dry. There was no water problem at all. At some time in the geologic past, a large part of the top of Inginiyagala Mountain broke off, and fell down on part of the spillway site. It was necessary to dig through as much as 60 ft of this detritus, mostly very large boulders, to get to a solid rock foundation.

Construction was without particular incident, except for one notable day when a large python decided to take up residence in the conveyor tunnel under the aggregate piles at the crushing plant. Its removal involved some brave advances and precipitous retreats, and there are men who do not like to be reminded of the incident.

In 1949 and 1950, those parts of the main dam on each side of the river channel were built. In April and May 1951, the river was cofferdammed and diverted through the 13-ft-dia conduit previously described. To permit the diverted water to flow freely, the conduit was discontinued just upstream from the surge-tank tee, and an elbow placed to turn the discharge in the desired

direction. The gap in the dam at the river channel is now being filled, and when the dam is completed, the control gate at the upper end of the conduit will be closed, the elbow removed, and the conduit connected to the surge-tank tee and through it to the manifolds in the powerhouse. The project has been predominantly an earth-moving job, and therefore in equipping it, earth-moving equipment has been emphasized. Equipment included:

- 2 Marion 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -cu yd combination shovels and draglines
- 2 Osgood 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ -cu yd combination shovels and draglines
- 1 Bucyrus 2-cu yd shovel
- 1 Bucyrus 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ -cu yd combination shovel, backhoe and dragline
- 1 Bucyrus $\frac{3}{4}$ -cu yd combination shovel, backhoe and dragline
- 2 Lorain truck cranes
- 3 Euclid elevating graders, Model 7 BV
- 30 Euclid 13-cu yd bottom-dump trucks
- 12 Euclid 9-cu yd rear-dump trucks
- 27 Caterpillar D-8 tractors

All equipment is the property of the Ceylon Government, and will pass under its control on completion of the project.

No particular difficulties have been encountered other than those incident to shipment of supplies and equipment halfway round the world. Practically all the tools and equipment used in construction are American made. Since the sources of spare parts in the United States are at least 60 days from the job, a large stock has had to be kept on hand. The disintegrated gneiss has proved abrasive beyond anything in our experience, and crawler-tractor machinery wear has been heavy. We have used about 60,000 lb of welding rod in building up tread systems.

High efficiency and consequently low costs have been attained. A few costs are cited in Table I.

The supreme authority, as far as the contractor is concerned, is Ceylon's Director of Irrigation, W. A. Guthrie. W. T. I. Alagaratnam, Deputy Director, carried out the preliminary investigation for the project. D. W. R. Kahawita is charged with approval of all designs; H. O. T. Scharenguivel is Resident Engineer; J. Canagarathnam is Soils Engineer. A. H. Mendis, who was Deputy Resident Engineer under Mr. Scharenguivel, is now assistant to Jahangir Singh, the engineer in charge of canals.

The staff of Morrison-Knudsen International Co. in Ceylon includes H. B. Olson, Project Manager; George J. Gavin, Chief Engineer; E. M. Bowles, Civil Engineer; Neville G. Adams, Electrical Engineer; Harry Ackerman, Cost Engineer; Lynn Porter, Office Manager; Rex Chaffin, Quarry and Concrete Superintendent; B. H. Pettegrew, Mechanical Superintendent. Moss Hoover, Earthwork Superintendent; and S. D. Waters, Office Engineer, have completed their employment contracts and have already returned home.

Both design and construction are under the general supervision of C. P. Dunn, ASCE, Vice-President and General Manager of Morrison-Knudsen International Co. and President of International Engineering Co. E. F. Koerner is Manager of Construction Operations for M-KI, and E. N. Benson is Business Manager. Messrs. Dunn, Koerner, Benson and the writer have each made several trips to the site.

DIFFICULT problem of taking soundings in Cascades just above Horseshoe Falls in Canadian Channel is solved by use of helicopter, which drops weighted line. Transitmen on shore take readings on target fixed 50 ft above sounding weight. Since helicopter cannot be kept absolutely still, line is run over wheel and counterweighted. Counterweight hangs just below helicopter, at right of sounding line. Since sounding line and target did not show up well on original photo, they have been retouched.



Soundings above Niagara Falls obtained by helicopter and Kytoons

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ONE of the most novel and difficult assignments in its history was recently completed by the Buffalo District, Corps of Engineers. Under the new Niagara Treaty between the United States and Canada, it became necessary for the District Office to secure accurate under-water contour data on the turbulent Niagara River in the immediate vicinity of Niagara Falls. The natural and technical hazards involved were such as to challenge the imagination and skill of those entrusted with the work.

The treaty between the United States and Canada concerning use of the water of the Niagara River, ratified on October 10, 1950, was designed primarily to enhance the scenic beauty of the world-famous falls, and to prescribe the quantity of water that may be diverted for power by each country.

For years, the beauty of the falls, particularly that of the Canadian Horseshoe Falls, has been impaired by accelerated erosion and by an uneven distribution of the water and concentration of flow near the center of the crest. Any additional diversion for electric power by either government would exaggerate this condition by further reducing the existing sparse flow over the flanks of the falls. Therefore the treaty provided, among other things, for the correction of this situation. The treaty calls for the construction of remedial works designed to distribute the water over the falls in an unbroken crestline, reducing the concentrated flow at the crest. It also states that the work shall be done on an appropriate basis by agencies of both countries, under the supervision of the International Joint Commission. The Corps of

Engineers, U.S. Army, was assigned the job for the United States.

Contours Needed for Model Study

Good engineering required the construction of an exact replica of the Niagara River from Lake Erie to the Rainbow Bridge below the falls. Before the model could be constructed—by the Waterways Experiment Station at Vicksburg, Miss.—it was necessary for the Buffalo District, in conjunction with the U.S. Lake Survey, to collect and compile the necessary topographic and hydrologic data. The model will be utilized for the design and verification of the remedial works which must be installed in the prototype, in order to achieve the scenic aspects enjoined by the treaty.

Most of the data required for the model were already available in the



HELICOPTER has sounding apparatus attached on right side near front, within easy reach of co-pilot. Apparatus (see insert) consists of 1,500 ft of 0.026-in. steel music wire wound on nearly frictionless aluminum reel. Counterweight weighs 8 lb and disc-shaped lead sounding weight weighs about 12 lb.



SOUNDINGS in American Channel are taken with three Kytoons bridled together, instead of by helicopter, for reasons of safety. In this channel small islands covered with trees caused breakage of helicopter's sounding line, with consequent falling of counterweight, endangering sightseers. Sounding line for Kytoons was controlled by operator on shore instead of by counterweight.

files of the Buffalo District, having been compiled over the past 50 years in connection with its regular river and harbor duties. For such material, only verification by occasional spot checking was required to insure that the regimen of the river had not materially changed since the data were compiled.

One comparatively small part of the river had, however, always resisted attempts to secure any reliable information on its underwater configuration. This area, which extends from the crest of the falls upstream 1,300 yd to the eastern tip of Goat Island, is known as the Upper Rapids, or the Cascades. Such information as had been compiled on this section was meager and unreliable, since the extreme turbulence and current velocity had precluded the use of sonic devices and other conventional sounding methods. However, the procurement of reliable information on this section was of paramount importance for the model study, since it is here that the remedial works must be constructed.

Helicopter Solves Problem

Suggestions for securing the needed data were solicited from educational institutions, research and development laboratories, surveying firms, and other appropriate sources. How-

ever, every scheme submitted proved either impracticable or prohibitive in cost. Actually needed was the proverbial and heretofore mythical sky hook—which eventually materialized in the form of a Bell 47D helicopter located at the Bell Aircraft plant, only $7\frac{1}{2}$ miles from the falls.

It was reasoned that the helicopter while hovering over the Cascades, could lower a weighted line with a target fixed at a known position on the line. Readings on this target could be taken from several instruments located at predetermined stations on shore. By reading both horizontal and vertical angles, the exact location and elevation of the bottom at the point of sounding could then be computed by trigonometric means. During the period of experimentation, however, it was learned that safety precautions required the helicopter to maintain an altitude of more than 1,000 ft while hovering over the falls. At this altitude, because of the remoteness of any fixed object, it proved impossible to maintain the helicopter in a position steady enough to allow definite readings to be taken by transitmen on the ground.

To solve this problem, the sounding line was run over a pulley attached to the helicopter, with a counterweight affixed to the free end of the line. Thus the counterweight kept

the sounding line taut at all times, and also compensated for the minor variations in altitude experienced while maintaining the helicopter in a hovering position.

Actual sounding operations above the Horseshoe Falls were initiated on December 7, 1950. Two transits were stationed on each side of the channel at points from which the entire area to be sounded could be observed. Fifteen hundred feet of 0.026-in. steel music wire were wound on a nearly frictionless aluminum reel having an outside diameter of 7 in. To the free end of the wire was attached a disc-shaped lead weight of approximately 12 lb. This apparatus was then bolted to a bracket previously fabricated on the right side of the helicopter at a location within easy reach of the co-pilot.

On completion of all preliminary work, the helicopter was flown to a predetermined position over the Cascades and caused to hover at a height of approximately 1,600 ft. At this point, the co-pilot began lowering the sounding weight by releasing the brake affixed to the reel. At a point in the line exactly 50 ft from the 12-lb sounding weight, a target was attached to a ring which had previously been installed in the sounding line. The target consisted of a wind sock, 1 ft in diameter and 2 ft long, which had

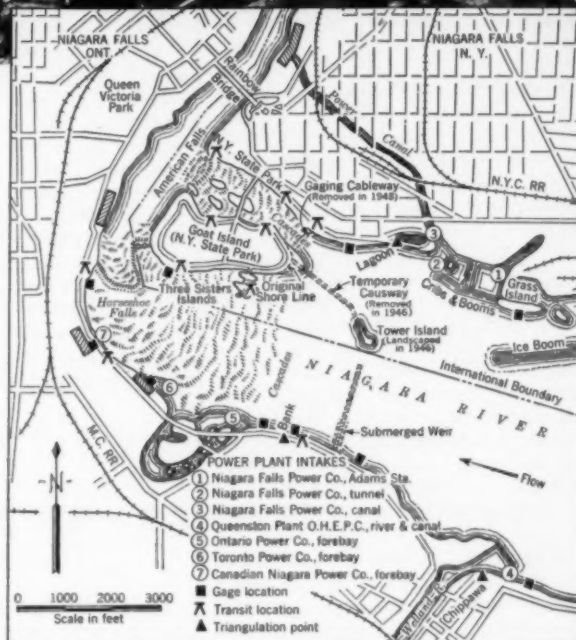
BEAUTY OF NIAGARA—both Canadian Horseshoe Falls at right, and American Falls at left—is to be preserved and enhanced by terms of treaty between United States and Canada, ratified October 10, 1950. Studies for remedial works are now under way on model at Waterways Experiment Station, Vicksburg, Miss. It was to secure accurate data for this model that soundings here described were carried out by Buffalo District, Corps of Engineers.



been fabricated from orange cambric cloth. After unreeling the entire 1,500 ft of wire, the 8-lb lead counterweight was attached to the end and the wire suspended over the reel in a 0.040-in. groove, which had been machined into the circumference of the reel so that the reel could also serve as a pulley. The helicopter was then lowered until the sounding weight rested on the bottom and the counterweight began to descend. At this instant a signal was transmitted to all transit positions over an air-to-ground, and ground-to-ground radio network. The target was maintained in position for approximately 15 sec to allow the instrumentmen to read and record both horizontal and vertical readings. The helicopter was then elevated until the sounding weight was clear of the water, after which it was moved a horizontal distance of approximately 300 ft. At this point the weight was again lowered into the water and readings taken. The procedure was repeated either until the sounding weight became snagged, or until the extreme cold and fatigue caused the pilot to suspend operations.

Soundings in the Canadian Channel were completed on December 27, 1950, after 252 readings had been obtained. Although 21 days had expired since the project was undertaken, only 21 flying hours were

FIG. 1. UP-TO-DATE river-bottom contours both above and below Niagara Falls were required for construction of model at Waterways Experiment Station, Vicksburg, Miss., where studies are under way to find most effective way to preserve beauty of falls despite withdrawals of water for hydroelectric purposes. Cascades area in both Canadian and American Channels had never before been accurately contoured.



actually expended. The remaining time was charged to bad weather and adverse flying conditions.

Kytoons Used in U.S. Channel

It was originally contemplated that these sounding methods could be utilized in the entire Cascades section, but safety considerations were found to preclude their use in the American Channel. Here numerous small islands covered with trees and brush

caused frequent snagging and consequent breakage of the sounding line. As a result, the counterweight was free to plummet to the earth from an altitude of 1,500 feet, endangering pedestrians and vehicles passing over Goat Island Bridge and in the park areas adjacent to the channel. Then too, there was no clear area in the immediate vicinity to which the helicopter could glide in the event of an emergency.

For these reasons an alternate method was devised for use in the American Channel. The helicopter was replaced by three dirigible-shaped, helium-filled balloons called Kytoons. Bridled together as shown in the photograph, the Kytoons were controlled by a 125-lb test nylon cord and maintained a comparatively stable position in wind velocities up to 20 miles per hour on account of their aerodynamic design. Experimentation proved that a combination of one 82-cu ft and two 48-cu ft Kytoons afforded the lifting power required for operation in the wind velocities encountered at the site, which were generally from 5 to 15 miles per hour.

As in the case of the helicopter, a small pulley was attached to the balloons, and through it the sounding line was threaded. A 5-lb sounding weight was attached to one end and a target fixed on the line exactly 20 ft above the weight. In this case, however, the sounding weight was controlled by an operator stationed on shore, rather than by a counterweight.

Sounding operations in the American Channel were initiated on January 3, 1951. Depending on the wind direction, the Kytoons supporting the sounding weight were launched from either Goat Island or the United States mainland and flown to a position in the channel where soundings were desired. The sounding line was then paid out by the operator on shore until the weight rested on the bottom. At this instant, the transit parties were directed by radio to secure the necessary readings. On completion of a reading, the weight was elevated above the water surface, the Kytoons maneuvered to another position, and the operation repeated until a total of 500 readings were obtained.

When the survey of the Upper Rapids was completed by the methods outlined, sounding operations were continued in the gorge below the falls by more or less conventional methods. It is interesting to note that soundings of 168 ft have been recorded in the vicinity of the Rainbow Bridge, representing a depth of water approximately equal to the height of the falls.

In carrying this difficult survey to completion, Bell Aircraft experts joined with the Army Engineers under the traditional motto of the Corps, *Essayons*, or "Let us try." The accurate data obtained by these ingenious methods will add to the value of the design and model tests necessary in the Niagara studies.

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Hydrodynamic pressure due

IN THE DESIGN of certain hydraulic structures such as dams, sea walls, and levees, which are located in earthquake regions and exposed to water with a free surface on a wide frontal area, the hydrodynamic pressure on the structure due to earthquake action has been receiving much attention from designing engineers. Indeed, many engineering specifications require that this hydrodynamic pressure be accurately evaluated and that provisions be made in the design against earthquake shock.

Computation of the hydrodynamic effect due to a vertical earthquake shock is a simple problem in present designing practice, assuming a proportional increase or decrease in weight of water equal to the ratio between maximum vertical earthquake acceleration and acceleration due to gravity for an upward, or a downward, shock. The design value of this ratio is generally taken as 0.1.

Computation of hydrodynamic pressure due to a horizontal earthquake shock is much more difficult because of the complicated mathe-

matics involved. Prof. H. M. Westergaard, M. ASCE, has made a theoretical study of this subject in his paper, "Water Pressure on Dams During Earthquakes," (ASCE TRANSACTIONS, Vol. 98, 1933, pp. 418-472). Based on his work, the hydrodynamic pressure, in pounds per square foot, at a point perpendicular to the face of a structure exposed to water, due to a horizontal earthquake acceleration, may be computed by the formula,

$$P = \alpha \beta \gamma h^{1/2}$$

in which

h = vertical depth of point below water surface, in feet.

α = ratio of maximum horizontal earthquake acceleration to acceleration due to gravity, 32.2 ft per sec². This ratio is generally taken as 0.1 in designing practice.

β = factor depending on: (1) the slope, $1/s$, of the line joining the intersecting point of the water surface and the face of the structure to the point in question; and (2) the period of horizontal earthquake vibra-

Dominant Role Urged for "Unity Organization"

TO THE EDITOR: Because of the current interest in unity, as a result of the EJC proposal of four possible plans, I am taking the liberty of expressing some thoughts that may be of use to other members of our Society.

The objection some of us have to all of the four plans is that none of them seem to be appropriate to really unify the profession to give it the power of which it is capable. Whether we like it or not, today it seems to be necessary to have power through numbers to gain adequate national recognition of our needs.

I believe we could gain the same strength as the powerful American Medical Association has if we would form an organization that would include all

qualified engineers. If we don't, we still will not gain the economic and professional levels of which we are capable. Any unity organization that restricts membership only to members of existing technical or professional societies will fall short of real unity, in my opinion.

It is felt also by many of us that besides being open to all qualified engineers, the unity organization should also be managed by them through individual voting, rather than controlled through the technical societies. We feel there is in the plans proposed too much of an attempt to preserve existing power within presently autonomous organizations and a lack of recognition of the primary need for one all-powerful group to represent the pro-

to horizontal earthquake shock computed by curves

tion. As the design vibration period is usually taken as 1 sec, the corresponding relation between this factor and the slope, $1/s$, has been computed and is shown on the chart, Fig. 1. If the structure has a vertical face, $1/s = \infty$, and $\beta = 1$.

γ = factor depending on the total depth of water, H , from the bottom of the structure and the period of horizontal earthquake vibration. For a design vibration period of 1 sec, the relation between this factor and the total depth of water, in feet, has been computed and is shown in Fig. 1.

After the pressure distribution along the face of the structure exposed to water is computed, the total pressure and its point of application can be found by graphic statics or by using a mechanical integrator.

Example: Given, $\alpha = 0.1$, $H = 200$ ft, $1/s = 1/0.08$ or 12.5, and $h = 160$ ft. From the curves, $\beta = 0.9$ and $\gamma = 730$. Then $P = (0.1)(0.9)(730)(160)^{1/2} = 831$ psf.

These curves are reproduced with modification from an unpublished manuscript on "Analysis of Stresses

in Gravity Dams," prepared by the writer, and he is greatly indebted to Prof. W. C. Huntington, M. ASCE,

head of the Civil Engineering Department, University of Illinois, for his kindness in directing the work.

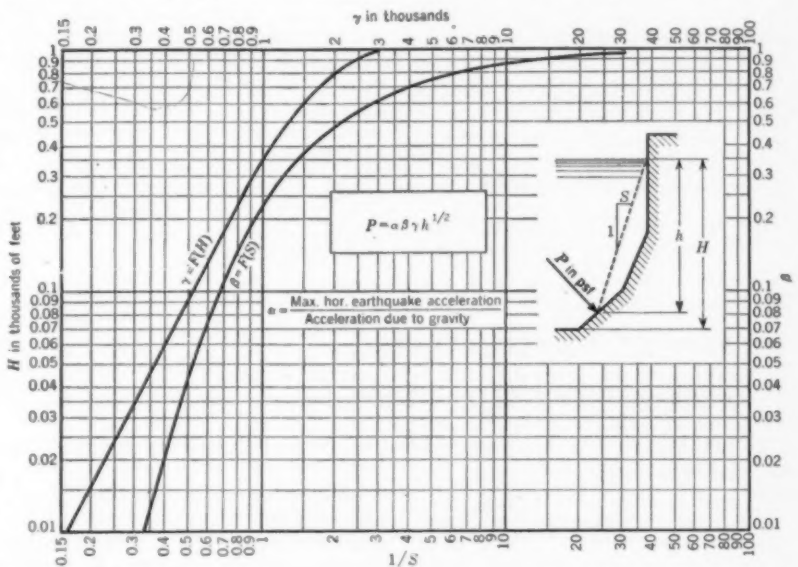


FIG. 1. CURVES give hydrodynamic pressure on a structure due to horizontal earthquake shock, for design vibration period of 1 sec.

THE READERS WRITE

profession. If gaining real unity in the profession means shifting the technical societies to a relatively subordinate position, many of us who are loyal and devoted technical society members can see no harm done. The technical worth of these societies would not be diminished at all. It is understood the medical profession operates in such a fashion, and we have a long way to go to equal it.

It will probably be of interest to other Local Sections to know that the Colorado Section submitted to the Board its beliefs in five paragraphs, briefed as follows (the full text will be supplied gladly by the writer on request):

1. That Plan "C" as recommended by the exploratory group, is the most prac-

ticable of the four plans recommended, but there should be a major change in the relationship of the technical societies to the organization. These societies should be related to the Unity Organization through their members as "individual members."

2. That the Unity Organization should be the principal group supported by the nation's engineers.

3. That all engineers who are qualified to register under the "model law" be acceptable for membership in the Unity Organization. Further, that membership be not contingent upon membership in one of the technical societies.

4. That the Unity Organization be supported by annual dues in an amount

approximating that now paid for membership in one of the technical societies by those not affiliated with technical groups, and by a small additional fee (not more than \$5) to be paid by members of technical societies.

5. That the management of the Unity Organization shall be elected by the membership of the Unity Organization.

If unity is not achieved now while it seems most propitious, then many engineers will probably find the rapidly spreading engineering collective bargaining groups all they need for economic improvement.

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Six Companies Inc., Hoover Dam Contractors, Actually Consisted of Eight Companies

TO THE EDITOR: In Mr. Tripp's article, "Joint-Venture Contracting—Phenomenon of the Construction Industry" (June 1951 issue, p. 30) a photograph of Hoover Dam bears a caption listing the joint venturers in the Six Companies Inc., as Utah Construction Co. (sponsor), Pacific Bridge Co., Kaiser Paving Co., Ltd., MacDonald & Kahn Co., Morrison-Knudsen Co., and J. F. Shea Co. This statement is incorrect. For the record, it should be noted that the stockholders of Six Companies Inc., the contractors for Hoover Dam, consisted of:

Utah Construction Co.
Pacific Bridge Co.
MacDonald & Kahn Co.
Morrison-Knudsen Co.
J. F. Shea Co.
Bechtel-Kaiser-Warren Co.

For the purpose of associating together on the Hoover Dam contract, W. A.

Bechtel Co. of San Francisco, Kaiser Paving Co. of Oakland, and Warren Brothers Co. of Boston, formed Bechtel-Kaiser-Warren Co., so that actually there were eight companies participating in the construction of Hoover Dam. However, corporately, as you will note, the combination of three of them permitted the use of the name Six Companies Inc.

One other thing of interest is the fact that through an error of the attorneys in incorporating the company, the conventional proper punctuation which uses the comma after "companies" was omitted in the telegram, and the company was actually incorporated as Six Companies Inc., without the comma, and it has always maintained that corporate name since then.

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Second Coulee Dam Contract Sponsored by Henry J. Kaiser Co.

TO THE EDITOR: I write to call your attention to two slight errors in your June issue.

The first occurs on page 31. The caption under the picture of Grand Coulee Dam states that Silas Mason Co. was the sponsor of the second contract for that dam, let in January 1938. As a matter of fact, this company was the sponsor of the first contract covering the foundations of the dam and the diversion of the river, let in 1934 to the Silas Mason Co., Walsh Construction Co. and Atkinson-Kier Co. The second contract, let in 1938 to Mason-Walsh-Atkinson-Kier and the Kaiser

group, was sponsored by the Henry J. Kaiser Co.

The second error occurs on page 34, in the superimposed labels on the photograph on the left side of the page showing construction under way on Grand Coulee Dam. The label "Coulee City" in the background should read "Mason City." Coulee City is at the other end of the Grand Coulee Reservoir some 35 miles away.

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Limitations of Theoretical Non-Gravity Buttress-Type Dam Discussed

TO THE EDITOR: The article, "Buttress-Type Dam with Curved Upstream Face Proposed," by Horace P. Boardman in the June issue, describes an interesting theoretical design of a non-gravity-type dam.

The writer, while an employee of the Harza Engineering Co. in 1929, used the same general principle on the design of a 10-ft flashboard to overturn at given depths of water over the crest of a dam. The theory of balancing forces was used

by utilizing the weight of the water to resist overturning. See Fig. 1. The fulcrum was placed at one-third the desired head and the weight of the vertical portion of the structure was arranged to pass through this pivotal point.

There are several undesirable features in the type of dam proposed. In the first place construction joints probably would limit the height of the structure. In locations on limestone or other cavernous rock, where foundation leakage

might be anticipated, no type of dam with a sloping upstream face should be considered because if leakage develops in a foundation after the reservoir has been filled, there is no way to get at the cutoff for subsequent foundation treatment. This is particularly true of higher structures.

The writer has had experience on foundation-leakage corrective work on both gravity and earth and rock-fill dams. Unless a structure is so constituted that corrective treatment can be applied directly through the structure at the cutoff, it becomes a very expensive and troublesome procedure and one for which about the only solution is to drain the reservoir for major repairs.

For example, on a dam 300 ft high with an average 1:1 upstream slope, the point of application for foundation treatment at the cutoff would be 425 ft away from any possible starting point on the dam. The spacing of grout holes would be very difficult and inaccurate at this distance. Similarly, location of the cutoff from the water surface is almost impossible. Also, treatment from downstream might be hazardous.

Contrariwise, treatment applied by drilling vertically through a gravity dam into the foundation is practical and expedient. From experience this approach has been successful. Water from pressure exerted through water-bearing cavities can do no harm in finding its level in such vertical holes. A similar condition in a downstream hole of a hollow-type structure could be very troublesome.

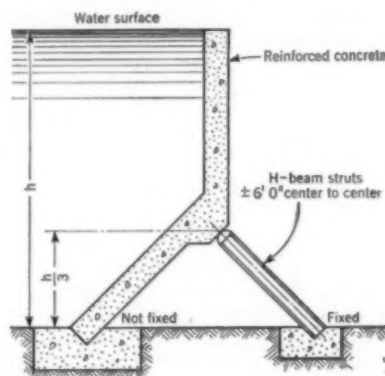


FIG. 1. Flashboard 10 ft high was designed to overturn at given depths of water over crest of dam.

For these reasons the type of dam suggested by Mr. Boardman has some definite limitations other than those of thin sections and costly formwork.

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AMERICAN SOCIETY OF CIVIL ENGINEERS

1951 ANNUAL CONVENTION

NEW YORK, N.Y., STATLER HOTEL, OCTOBER 22-26, 1951

Registration: Convention Rotunda, Statler Hotel, opens 9:00 a.m., Monday, October 22; each convention day 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

NOTE: Registration will be closed from 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, October 24, to avoid conflict with opening of the Annual Business Meeting. Registration fee (except ladies and students) \$2.00.

Authors' Breakfasts

PARLOR 2 STATLER HOTEL

Monday, October 22, 8:15 a.m.
Tuesday, October 23, 8:15 a.m.
Thursday, October 25, 8:15 a.m.
Friday, October 26, 8:15 a.m.

Briefing sessions for all speakers, discussers and program officials by invitation. Presiding: WILLIAM S. LA LONDE, JR., Convention Chairman.

Surveying and Mapping— Air Transport, Joint Session

9:30 A.M.

PENN TOP

Presiding: S. A. Bauer, Chairman, Executive Committee, Surveying and Mapping Division

H. H. Howell, Chairman, Executive Committee, Air Transport Division

9:30 Zoning For and Around Airports

B. EVERETT BEAVIN, SR., M. ASCE; Consulting Engineer, Linthicum Hts., Md.

Discussion

CHARLES A. BLESSING, M. ASCE; Director of Planning, Chicago Plan Commission, Chicago, Ill.

10:15 Aeronautical Charting and Mapping

CHARLES A. SCHANCK, Assoc. M. ASCE; Commander, USN, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Washington, D.C.

Discussion

E. S. FABIAN, Assoc. M. ASCE; Professor of Civil Engineering, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tenn.

11:00 Electronic Devices in Air Transport

F. B. LEE, Deputy Administrator, Civil Aeronautics Administration, Washington, D.C.

Discussion

P. C. SANDRETTO, Assistant Technical Director, Federal Telecommunication Laboratories, Inc., Nutley, N.J.

Hydraulics Division

Joint Committee on Snow, Ice and Permafrost

9:30 A.M.

SKY TOP

Presiding: George R. Schneider, Chairman, Executive Committee, Hydraulics Division

9:30 The Mission of Snow, Ice and Permafrost Research Establishment

A. H. LAHLUM, Lt. Col., U. S. Army, Commanding Officer, S.I.P.R.E.

10:15 Cold Weather Engineering Problems

P. W. ROBERTS, M. ASCE; Commander, U. S. Navy, Bureau of Yards and Docks.

11:00 Operation of Swiss Institute for Snow and Avalanche Research

A motion picture prepared by the Swiss Institute, presented with comments by Henri Bader, formerly Director of the Institute.

Waterways Division

9:30 A.M.

BALLROOM

Presiding: Max C. Tyler, Chairman, Executive Committee, Waterways Division

9:30 Marine Borer Research

GEORGE KNOX, Bureau of Yards and Docks, U. S. Navy, Washington, D.C.

10:00 Construction of Lock No. 2, Monongahela River

E. P. SWATEK, Chief Design Engineer, Contracting Division, Dravo Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Power Division

9:30 A.M.

KEYSTONE ROOM

Presiding: James P. Growdon, Chairman, Executive Committee, Power Division

9:30 Unusual Features of Design of South Holston Power Project

OLAV LAVIK, M. ASCE; Design Engineer, Tennessee Valley Authority, Knoxville, Tenn.

10:30 Delaware River Aqueduct Hydro Projects

GEORGE RICH, M. ASCE; Charles T. Main, Inc., Boston, Mass.

10:30 Surveys of Rivers in Unmapped Territory

GERARD H. MATTHES, Hon. M. ASCE; Consultant, New York, N.Y.

11:00 Timberhead—a motion picture

Pictures river transportation in the mid-continent area, and benefits to commerce and industry. A presentation of the Union Barge Co., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Power Luncheon

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 12:30 P.M.
GEORGIAN ROOM

Sponsored by the Power Division
Price per plate: \$3.50

Board-Local Section Luncheon

MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 12:30 P.M.
PENN TOP NORTH

A "get-acquainted" event for members of the ASCE Board of Direction and delegates attending the Local Section Conference. Per plate: \$3.50.

Afternoon

Division Sessions

Hydraulics Division

Joint Committee on Snow, Ice, and Permafrost

Subcommittee on Snow

2:30 P.M.

SKY TOP

Presiding: George R. Schneider, Chairman, Executive Committee, Hydraulics Division

2:30 Snow Thermodynamics: An Approach to a Better Understanding of the Mechanical Properties of Snow

R. W. GERDEL, Assoc. M. ASCE; Chief, Field Operations Section, Snow, Ice and Permafrost Research Establishment

3:15 Evaporative Losses from Snow

WALTER T. WILSON, Assoc. M. ASCE; U. S. Weather Bureau, Cooperative Snow Investigations, San Francisco, Calif.

4:00 Application of Snow Hydrology in the Planning and Design of Multi-Purpose Reservoirs

HERBERT S. RIESBOL, M. ASCE; Project Planning Branch, Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colo.

Power Division

2:30 P.M.

KEYSTONE

Presiding: James P. Growdon, Chairman, Executive Committee, Power Division

2:30 Growth in Concrete

STANLEY MOYER, M. ASCE; Mechanical Engineer, Philadelphia Electric Co.

3:30 American Participation in the Development of Far Eastern Countries—Psychological, Economic and Engineering Aspects

A. V. KARPOV, M. ASCE; Consulting Engineer, New York, N.Y.

Sanitary Engineering Division

2:30 P.M.

PENN TOP

Presiding: Alfred H. Wieters, Chairman, Executive Committee, Sanitary Engineering Division

National Water Resources—A Panel Discussion

2:30 The Viewpoint of the Engineers Joint Council

W. W. HORNER, Past President, ASCE; Consulting Engineer, St. Louis, Mo.

3:00 The Viewpoint of the President's Water Policy Commission

SAMUEL B. MORRIS, M. ASCE; General Manager and Chief Engineer, Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, Los Angeles, Calif.

3:30 Discussion

3:45 Some Practical and Economic Effects of Rainfall Stimulation on Water Resources

WALLACE E. HOWELL, Consulting Meteorologist

4:15 Discussion

4:30 Report of Committee on Water Supply Engineering

ERNEST W. WHITLOCK, M. ASCE; Engineer, Malcolm Pirnie, New York, N.Y.

Report of Committee on Infiltration and Loss in Sewage Collection Systems

GEORGE R. THOMPSON, City Engineer, City Hall, Detroit, Mich.

Waterways Division Tour

Unusual structural boxes to support the new 57th Street shipping pier will be visited on Monday afternoon, October 22. These huge reinforced concrete boxes are being constructed in a cofferdam at Haverstraw, New York, some 35 miles up the Hudson River from their final place under the pier at West 15th Street, in Manhattan. Construction will be in progress during the inspection.

Details of time and transportation will be given in later programs.

Card Party for the Ladies

MONDAY AFTERNOON
PARLORS B AND C

An informal gathering of the ladies attending the Convention, to plan activities for the week, make new acquaintances and greet old friends.

Cooperative Session

U. S. Council of the International Association for Bridge and Structural Engineering

Tuesday, October 23—2:00 p.m.
PARLOR NO. 2 HOTEL STATLER

Consultants' Dinner

Monday, October 22

6:30 P.M., KEYSTONE ROOM
STATLER HOTEL

Annual Dinner of the American Institute of Consulting Engineers.

Local Sections Conference

9:30 A.M. MONDAY AND TUESDAY
OCTOBER 22 AND 23

PARLOR 1

STATLER HOTEL

Representatives of Local Sections of ASCE in the Northeast area will convene upon invitation for discussion of operations of the Sections.

The conference, which is primarily for appointed delegates of selected Sections, will be open to any and all who may be interested especially in activities of ASCE at Local Section level.

Tuesday Events, October 23

Ladies' Breakfast

Tuesday, October 23
9:15 A.M. ALTMAN'S

B. Altman & Co., Fifth Avenue at 34th Street, is holding a breakfast for the wives and guests of members in the famous Charleston Gardens. A special program will be presented for the ladies followed by a personally conducted tour of the outstanding features of the store. Unusual displays include the Beacon Hill Gallery, which has twelve superbly decorated rooms and prize collections that will delight the heart of any shopper. Personal shoppers will assist any who wish such service.

Price \$7.75 per person.

Morning Division Sessions

Engineering Mechanics Division, Inaugural Session

9:30 A.M. BALLROOM
Presiding: L. E. Grinter, Chairman,
Executive Committee, Engineering
Mechanics Division

9:30 Dedication of Division

Speaking for the field of Solid Mechanics

J. N. GOODIER, Professor of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Stanford University, Palo Alto, Calif.

Speaking for the field of Fluid Mechanics

HUGH L. DRYDEN, Director of Aeronautical Research, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Washington, D.C.

Technical Papers—
Clayton O. Dohrenwend, Secretary
of Division, Presiding

10:30 A Theoretical and Experimental Investigation of Radial Impact on an Elastically Supported Ring

EDWARD WENK, Navy Department, Washington, D.C.

11:00 Graphical Solution of First-Order Differential Equation with Applications to Hydraulics

KENNETH E. SORENSON, Jun. M. ASCE; Harza Engineering Co., Chicago, Ill.

11:30 Discussion

Hydraulics Division,

Joint Committee on Snow, Ice, and Permafrost

Subcommittee on Ice

9:30 A.M. SKY TOP
Presiding: George R. Schneider,
Chairman, Executive Committee,
Hydraulics Division

9:30 Investigations on Ice

E. W. JOHNSON, Bureau of Yards and Docks, U. S. Navy

10:00 Strength and Use of Fresh and Salt Water Ice

KENNETH A. LINELL, Assoc. M. ASCE; New England Division, U. S. Army, Corps of Engineers, Boston, Mass.

10:30 Development of Air Fields on Ice

BERNT BALCHEN, Colonel, U. S. Air Force, and JOHN HOLMES, Oceanographic Laboratory, Woods Hole, Mass.

11:00 Report on Glacial Ice Investigations

WILLIAM O. FIELD, American Geographical Society, New York, N.Y.

11:30 Problems of Icing on Roads and Air Fields

A. F. GHIGLIONE, M. ASCE; Chairman, Joint Committee on Snow, Ice and Permafrost

Sanitary Engineering Division

9:30 A.M. PENN TOP
Presiding: F. Woodbury Jones,
Member, Executive Committee, Sanitary Engineering Division

9:30 What We Need to Know About the Controlled Materials Plan—A Panel Discussion

A M RAWN, M. ASCE; General Manager, Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts, Moderator

HARVEY HOWE, Director of the Water Resources Division, NPA

LOUIS R. HOWSON, Director, ASCE; Consulting Engineer, Chicago, Ill.

CARL SCHWOB, Chief, Division of Water Pollution Control, U. S. Public Health Service

MILTON P. ADAMS, M. ASCE; Executive Secretary, Michigan Water Resources Committee, Lansing, Mich.

HARRY L. CONRAD, M. ASCE; President, The Christman Co., Lansing, Mich.

FRANK CONOVER, Procurement Dept., The Dorr Co.

10:30 The Sanitary Engineer vs. the Chemical Engineer: Their Places in Industrial Waste Treatment for the Sanitary Engineer:

ROLF ELIASSEN, M. ASCE; Professor of Sanitary Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

11:00 For the Chemical Engineer:
H. L. JACOBS, Head, Industrial-Waste Work, Dupont de Nemours

11:30 Discussion

11:45 Report of the Committee on Sanitary Engineering Research

HARRY E. SCHLENZ, Assoc. M. ASCE; Vice-President and Sales Manager, Pacific Flush Tank Co., Chicago, Ill.

Engineering Mechanics Luncheon

Tuesday, October 23

12:30 P.M. GEORGIAN ROOM

Program of the new Engineering Mechanics Division will be inaugurated with a series of sessions, including this luncheon. Program will feature an address by ASCE President Gail A. Hathaway. His subject will be, "The Engineering Mechanics Division's Interest in National and International Affairs." Price \$3.50 per plate.

New York Harbor Tour

Tuesday, October 23

Leaves 42nd Street Pier at 12:30 p.m.

The fascinating installations fringing New York Harbor will be viewed from the decks of the *Niagara* during an afternoon excursion. The Hudson River piers, historic Riverside Drive monuments, expressways, bridges, and all the points of interest in the lower harbor will be included.

The Port of New York Authority and the New York Central System have cooperated in sponsoring this boat trip. A box lunch will be served on board en route.

Price, \$1.25, per ticket with everything included.

Afternoon Division Sessions

Engineering Mechanics Division—Inaugural Session

2:30 P.M. BALLROOM

Presiding: Nathan M. Newmark,
Member, Executive Committee, Engineering Mechanics Division

2:30 Forced Vibrations of Continuous Beams

E. SAIBEL and ELIO D'APPOLONIA, Assoc. M. ASCE; Carnegie Institute of Technology, Pittsburgh, Pa.

3:00 Ground Periods and Amplitudes in Destructive Earthquake Motions

FRANK NEWMANN, Chief, Seismology Branch, U. S. Coast and Geodetic Survey, Washington, D.C.

3:30 Analysis of Earthquake Stresses by Natural Modes and Step-by-Step Integration

MARIO S. SALVADORI, M. ASCE; Columbia University, New York, N.Y.

4:00 Non-Elastic Behavior of Bridges Under Impulsive Loads

S. J. FRAENKEL and L. E. GRINTER, M. ASCE; Illinois Inst. of Technology, Chicago, Ill.

Hydraulics Division

Joint Committee on Snow, Ice, and Permafrost

Subcommittee on Permafrost

9:30 P.M.

SKY TOP

Presiding: George R. Schneider, Chairman, Executive Committee, Hydraulics Division

2:30 Permafrost Investigations in the United States

HENRY J. MANGER, U. S. Army, Corps of Engineers, St. Paul District, St. Paul, Minn.

3:00 Design and Construction in Permafrost Areas

GEORGE W. RATHJENS, M. ASCE; Consulting Engineer, Berkeley, Calif.

3:30 Photographic Interpretation of Permafrost Conditions

ROBERT E. FROST, Assoc. M. ASCE; Research Engineer, Joint Highway Research Project, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.

4:00 Research Needs for Frost and Permafrost

C. W. LOVELL, JR., Jun. M. ASCE; Research Engineer and Instructor, Joint Highway Research Project, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Ind.

A. W. JOHNSON, Assoc. M. ASCE; Engineer of Soils & Foundations, Highway Research Board, Washington, D.C.

Sanitary Engineering Division

9:30 P.M.

PENN TOP

Presiding: B. A. Poole, Member, Executive Committee, Sanitary Engineering Division

2:30 Financing Sewage Treatment Plants: How to Pay for New Plants Under Today's High Costs

A PANEL DISCUSSION

E. J. CLEARY, M. ASCE; Executive Director and Chief Engineer, Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission, Cincinnati, Ohio—Moderator

SAMUEL A. GREELEY, M. ASCE; Consulting Engineer, Chicago, Ill.

GEORGE J. SCHROEPFER, M. ASCE; Professor of Sanitary Engineering, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minn.

FRANCIS S. FRIEL, M. ASCE; Consulting Engineer, Albright & Friel, Inc., Philadelphia Pa.

GEORGE P. STEINMETZ, M. ASCE; Chief Engineer, Service Commission of Wisconsin, Madison, Wis.

THOMAS M. NILES, M. ASCE; Consulting Engineer, Greeley & Hansen, Chicago, Ill.

W. JAMES MCINTOSH, Attorney, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, Philadelphia, Pa.

4:00 Report of the Committee on Advancement of Sanitary Engineering

EARNEST BOYCE, M. ASCE; Professor, Sanitary Engineering, Dept. of Civil Engineering, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

Report on Sewage Treatment of Committee on Sewerage

LANGDON PEARSE, M. ASCE; Sanitary Engineer, Chicago, Ill.

The Arthur M. Wellington Prize to A. Hrennikoff, M. ASCE.

The Collingwood Prize for Juniors to John W. Forster, Jun. M. ASCE, and Raymond A. Skrinde, Jun. M. ASCE.

The J. C. Stevens Award to James S. Holdhusen, Jun. M. ASCE.

The Karl Emil Hilgard Prize to M. L. Albertson, Jun. M. ASCE, and Y. B. Dai, R. A. Jensen, and Hunter Rouse, M. ASCE.

The Leon S. Moisseiff Award to Ling-Hi Tsien.

The Construction Engineering Prize to James G. Tripp, M. ASCE.

11:15 Report of Tellers on Canvass of Ballot for Officers

Installation of New Officers

Director, District 1—Walter D. Binger
Director, District 2—Frank A. Marston
Director, District 6—George W. McAlpin
Director, District 10—James A. Higgs
Director, District 11—I. C. Steele
Vice President, Zone 1—George W. Burpee
Vice President, Zone IV—A. M. Rawn
President—Carlton S. Proctor

11:30 New Business

Adjournment for Membership Luncheon.

Annual Membership Luncheon

Wednesday, October 24

12:30 P.M.

BALLROOM

Toastmaster for the occasion:

William S. La Londe, Jr., Chairman of the Annual Convention Committee.

All members, their ladies, guests and friends of ASCE are cordially invited to attend this luncheon and enjoy the opportunity of sharing a stimulating address.

Price \$3.50 per plate.

Wednesday Events, October 24

Ninety-Ninth Annual Business Meeting

10:30 A.M.

GEORGIAN ROOM

Presiding: Gail A. Hathaway, President, American Society of Civil Engineers

10:30 Annual Reports of Board of Direction, Secretary and Treasurer

Announcements and Reports

10:45 Presentation of Awards

The Norman Medal to David B. Steinman, M. ASCE.

The J. James R. Croes Medal to M. E. Von Seggern, Assoc. M. ASCE

The Thomas Fitch Rowland Prize to William K. Boyd, M. ASCE, and Charles R. Foster, Assoc. M. ASCE

The James Laurie Prize to Hans H. Bleich, M. ASCE.

Student Chapter Faculty Advisers Conference

Wednesday, October 24

2:30 P.M.

PARLOR 2

Presiding: Robert H. Dodds, Member, Committee on Student Chapters

All Student Chapter Faculty Advisers and Contact Members in attendance at the Annual Convention are invited to take part in this round-table discussion of student affairs.

General Session Civil-Military Liaison

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON
9:30 P.M. GEORGIAN ROOM
Presiding: Ernest E. Howard, Past President ASCE, Chairman, Committee on Civil-Military Liaison

Modern Concepts of Military Engineering
LEWIS A. PICK, M. ASCE; Lt. General, U.S. Army, Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C.

Engineering Problems of the Air Force
COLBY M. MYERS, Assoc. M. ASCE; Brigadier General, U.S. Air Force, Staff Engineer, Strategic Air Command, Washington, D.C.

Civil Engineering in the Navy
JOSEPH F. JELLEY, JR., M. ASCE; Rear Admiral CEC, U.S. Navy, Chief, Bureau of Yards and Docks, Washington, D.C.

The Role of the Civilian Engineer in the Defense Mobilization Program
CARLTON S. PROCTOR, President-Elect, ASCE; Consulting Engineer, New York, N.Y.

Annual Dinner and Dance

President's Reception and Award of Honorary Memberships

**WEDNESDAY EVENING
STATLER BALLROOM**

6:30 Assembly and Cocktails, Rotunda

7:45 Dinner, Ballroom

9:00 Awards and Presentation of the White House Gavel

9:30 President's reception and dancing

**Dinner Music Dance Music
Entertainment**

For this event, special arrangements can be made for reservation of tables seating 10 persons.

Members may underwrite complete tables, or pool reservations with others. Orders for tables must be accompanied by a check in full and a list of guests.

The published seating list will close at 5:00 p.m., Tuesday, October 23. Tickets purchased after this hour will be assigned to tables in order of purchase. Sales of tickets will be limited to capacity of the Ballroom.

Per plate \$10.00 Dress formal.

Thursday Events, October 25

Morning Division Sessions

City Planning Division

9:30 A.M. PENN TOP
Presiding: Leslie Williams, Member, Executive Committee, City Planning Division

9:30 Vertical vs. Horizontal Urban Development

C. McKIM NORTON, Executive Vice-President, New York Regional Plan Association

10:00 Lessons Learned from Recent Experiences with Large-Scale Housing Developments

WILLIAM C. VLADICK, Architect, New York, N. Y.

10:30 Integration of Railroads and Rapid Transit Facilities in New York Area

WILLIAM REID, President, Hudson & Manhattan Railroad, New York, N.Y.

11:00 Planning Program for New York City

EUGENE M. ITJEN, M. ASCE; Chief, Office of Master Plan Department of Planning, City of New York, N.Y.

Hydraulics Division

Subcommittee on Hydraulic Research

9:30 A.M. SKY TOP
Presiding: George R. Schneider, Chairman, Executive Committee, Hydraulics Division

9:30 Turbulence Studies from Recordings of Instantaneous Pilot Tube Pressures

ARTHUR T. IPPEN, M. ASCE; Pro-

fessor of Hydraulics, Massachusetts Inst. of Technology and EMMERT M. LOWRY, JR., Jun. M. ASCE; Hydraulic Engineer, S. Morgan Smith Co.

10:15 Measurement of Velocity and Pressure in Turbulent Flow

PHILIP G. HUBBARD, Research Engineer, Iowa Institute of Hydraulic Research, State University of Iowa

11:00 Velocity Measurement of Air-Water Mixtures

LORENZ G. STRAUB, M. ASCE, JOHN KILLBEN, OWEN P. LAMB, St. Anthony Falls Hydraulic Laboratory, University of Minnesota

Soil Mechanics and Foundations Division

Sponsored Jointly by the Department of Soils Investigation, Highway Research Board, and the U. S. National Council on Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering

9:30 A.M. KEYSTONE ROOM

Presiding: Carlton S. Proctor, President, ASCE

9:30 Introductory remarks

PHILIP C. RUTLEDGE, Chairman, Executive Committee, Soil Mechanics and Foundations Committee

9:40 A Unified System of Soil Classification

G. E. BERTRAM, Office, Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C.

10:30 Discussion

ARTHUR CASAGRANDE, M. ASCE; Professor of Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass.

11:00 Military Application Implications of Soil Mechanics and Foundation Research

D. J. MACLEAN and H. W. W. POLLITT, Institution of Civil Engineers of Great Britain. Read by FRANK A. MARSTON, M. ASCE; Metcalf & Eddy, Boston, Mass.

Structural Division

9:30 A.M.

GEORGIAN ROOM

Presiding: Jewell M. Garrelts, Chairman, Executive Committee, Structural Division

9:30 Introduction to Nuclear Shielding

H. M. GLEN, Assoc. M. ASCE; Supervising Structural Design Engineer, Oak Ridge National Lab., Oak Ridge, Tenn.

10:30 Design Problems in Human Centrifuge Building

SANKIS M. BAGDOYAN, Senior Structural Engineer, Bureau of Yards and Docks, Navy Department, Washington, D.C.

11:00 Research in Reinforced Concrete

R. F. BLANKS, M. ASCE; Chief, Research and Geological Division, U. S. Bureau of Reclamation, Denver, Colo.

11:10 Reinforced Concrete Column Tests—Inelastic Behavior Under Eccentric Loads

EVIND HOGNESTAD, Research Assistant Professor, University of Illinois, Urbana, Ill.

11:40 Report of Thin Shell Committee

CHARLES S. WHITNEY, M. ASCE; Ammann & Whitney, Consulting Engineers, Milwaukee, Wis.

11:50 Design of Thin Shell Structures

A. L. PARME, Assoc. M. ASCE; Portland Cement Association, Chicago, Ill.

Turnpike Construction Luncheon

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

12:30 P.M. BALLROOM

Sponsored by the Construction Division

Paul L. Troast, Chairman, and W. W. Wanamaker, Executive Director of the New Jersey Turnpike, discussing the Organization and Procedure of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority.

Toastmaster for the occasion: Elmer K. Timby, Chairman, Executive Committee, Construction Division.

Per plate: \$3.50

Luncheon for the Ladies

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25

PENN TOP NORTH

An opportunity to enjoy a luncheon prepared especially for the occasion by the Statler chefs.

Entertainment Features

Miriam Cordwell, official hair stylist of the N. H. C. A. will demonstrate hair styling and make-up.

Per plate: \$3.00

Afternoon Division Sessions

Student Chapter Conference

THURSDAY AFTERNOON
OCTOBER 25 SKY TOP

2:30 Meeting of Student Faculty Advisers, Contact Members and others interested in the Student Chapters of ASCE

The Metropolitan Conference of ASCE Student Chapters is sponsoring this meeting of students from Chapters throughout the New York area. The program will feature participation of both students and practicing engineers.

New Jersey Turnpike Joint Session

Sponsored Jointly by Construction, Engineering Economics, Highway, Soil Mechanics and Foundations and Structural Divisions

2:30 P.M.

BALLROOM

Presiding: Elmer K. Timby, Chairman, Executive Committee, Construction Division

2:30 Economic Feasibility

GEORGE W. BURPEE, M. ASCE; Partner, Coverdale & Colpitts, New York, N.Y., and ENOCH R. NEEDLES, M. ASCE; Partner, Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff, New York, N.Y.

3:15 Design Standards: Construction Schedules and Problems

CHARLES M. NOBLE, M. ASCE; Chief Engineer, New Jersey Turnpike Authority

4:00 Stabilization and Foundation Problems Associated with the Installation of the New Jersey Meadow Section of the Thruway

O. J. PORTER, M. ASCE; and L. C. URQUHART, M. ASCE; Porter & Urquhart Associated, Newark, N.J.

Entertainment for the Ladies

THURSDAY, 8:00 P.M.

SKY TOP

The Sky Top of the Statler will be converted into a colorful Hawaiian resort through the resourcefulness of the United Air Lines. A program that will charm the audience, complete with native dancing, will be presented under the direction of Miss Bea Hansen, Director of the Women's Division for U. A. L. Admission by ticket only, no charge.

Men's Smoker and Show

THURSDAY, 8:00 P.M.
STATLER BALLROOM

Here's the evening to talk over old times with friends from round the globe, and to make some new friends too. This is noted for its informality, its excellent entertainment and for its never-ending refreshment for the tired traveler. All this and smoke too!

8-9 p.m.—A chance to get the evening started properly

9-10 p.m.—Acts from Broadway's best shows and night spots

10 on—Sandwiches, snacks, beer and coffee with bar service

Music throughout the evening for those that like to harmonize. Tables and chairs for those that like to sit awhile. Entertainment for those who like to laugh and whistle.

Note: To suit the convenience of those attending college dinners, the show has been timed so there is no need to miss any of the acts. Also note that a separate event has been planned for this evening to keep the ladies entertained elsewhere.

Friday Events, October 26

Morning Division Sessions

New Jersey Turnpike Joint Session

Sponsored Jointly by the Construction, Engineering Economics, Highway, Soil Mechanics and Foundations and Structural Divisions

9:30 A.M.

BALLROOM

*Presiding: J. M. Garrelts, Chairman
Executive Committee, Structural Division*

9:30 Hackensack and Passaic River Bridges

O. H. AMMANN, M. ASCE; Partner,
Ammann & Whitney, New York,
N.Y., and ELLIS E. PAUL, M. ASCE;
Partner, Howard, Needles, Tammen
& Bergendoff, New York, N.Y.

10:15 Design and Selection of Pavement

JOHN R. DIETZ, M. ASCE; Chief,
Highway Division, Gannett, Flem-
ing, Corddry & Carpenter, Harris-
burg, Pa., and

LESLIE M. STEWART, President,
Stewart Associates, Inc., Cambridge
Mass.

11:00 Service Facilities

STEWART WAGNER, Partner, Fel-
heimer & Wagner, New York, N.Y.

Soil Mechanics and Foundations Division

9:30 A.M.

KEYSTONE ROOM

*Presiding: Philip C. Rutledge, Chair-
man, Executive Committee, Soil
Mechanics and Foundations Division*

9:30 Soil Stabilization Symposium

Bureau of Yards and Docks

L. A. PALMER, Bureau of Yards and
Docks, Washington, D.C.

HANS F. WINTERKORN, Assoc. M.
ASCE; President, Winterkorn In-
stitute, Princeton, N.J.

Corps of Engineers

T. WILLIAM LAMB, Assistant Pro-
fessor, Massachusetts Institute of
Technology, Cambridge, Mass.

For Support of Military Operations

FRANK C. TYRRELL, M. ASCE;
Commander, CEC, U.S.N., Con-

struction Battalion Center, Port
Hueneme, Calif.

Clay Mineralogy and Soil Stabiliza- tion

JAMES A. HAVENS, Research Chem-
ist, and W. A. GOODWIN, Assistant
Research Engineer, Kentucky De-
partment of Highways, Frankfort,
Ky.

11:15 Foundation Problems on Bridges and Slopes of New Jersey Turnpike

J. D. WELCH; Howard, Needles,
Tammen, and Bergendoff, New
York, N.Y.

Soil Mechanics Luncheon

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

12:30 P.M.

GEORGIAN ROOM

*Sponsored by the Soil Mechanics and
Foundations Division*

Per plate: \$3.50

Afternoon Division Sessions

Soil Mechanics and Foundations Division

2:30 P.M.

KEYSTONE ROOM

*Presiding: Philip C. Rutledge, Chair-
man, Executive Committee, Soil
Mechanics and Foundations Division*

2:30 Design of Pavements

GAYLE MCFADDEN, M. ASCE;
Head Engineer, Airfields Branch,
Office, Chief of Engineers, Wash-
ington, D.C.

L. A. PALMER, Department of the
Navy, Bureau of Yards and Docks,
Washington, D.C.

3:00 Soil Trafficability

WILLARD J. TURNBULL, M. ASCE;
Chief, Soils Division, U.S. Water-
ways Experiment Station, Vicks-
burg, Miss.

3:30 Soil Trafficability as Related to Vehicular Mobility

R. C. STEWART, U.S. Navy, Bureau
of Yards and Docks.

4:00 Mole Drainage for Landing Areas

HOWARD M. WILLIAMS, Assoc. M.
ASCE; Civil Engineer, Office,
Chief of Engineers, Washington,
D.C.

4:30 Discussion

THOMAS B. PRINGLE, M. ASCE;
and GAYLE MCFADDEN, M. ASCE;
Office, Chief of Engineers, U.S.
Army, Washington, D.C.

Turnpike Excursion

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 26

BUSSES LEAVE STATLER 12:30 P.M.

Through cooperation of the New Jersey Turnpike Authority an inspection trip will be made to major portions of the new 118-mile facility. Construction of interchanges, embankments, structures, pavements, service areas and toll plazas will be visited and explained by engineers in charge. Members and guests are invited. Ladies are welcome, but should be prepared for a rigorous inspection tour.

Transportation by bus leaves the Statler Hotel at 12:30 p.m. and returns at 5:00 p.m. Price per person, \$1 50.

Ladies Excursion

Excursions are being arranged for the special interest of ladies attending the convention. Included among such destinations are the Radio City Music Hall, backstage, the National Biscuit Company's unusual plant and showrooms, and the new U. N. headquarters in Manhattan. Details of time and transportation will be included in later programs.

Sessions of the Board of Direction

The ASCE Board of Direction will be in session at the Board Room in the Engineering Societies Building at the following times:

Monday, October 22—10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 23—9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 25—2:30 p.m.

College Reunions Scheduled

CHI EPSILON

Members of Chi Epsilon, their families and guests—men and women—will have their 17th Annual Luncheon at 12:00 noon on Tuesday, October 23, 1951, at Rosoff's Restaurant, 147 West 43rd Street near Times Square. Expense, \$2.25 per person, complete. For reservations call Harold Larsen, Pennsylvania 6-9220.

CORNELL SOCIETY OF ENGINEERS

The Cornell Society of Engineers will hold a meeting on Monday evening, October 22, 1951, at 8:00 p.m. at the Cornell Club, 107 East 48th Street, New York, N.Y. For information call Secretary at Plaza 5-7210.

ILLINOIS CIVIL ENGINEERING ALUMNI

The University of Illinois Civil Engineering Alumni and their friends will meet for their 24th annual informal dinner on Thursday evening, October 25, 1951, at 6:00 p.m. at the Statler Hotel. A private dining room has been reserved. Dinner will be over in time to attend the ASCE Smoker in the evening. For further information and reservations call Milton C. Shedd at Whitehall 3-7980.

RUTGERS ENGINEERING ALUMNI

The Rutgers Engineering Alumni will meet before the ASCE Smoker on Thursday, October 25, at the Old Timers' Grill, 7 East 40th Street, at 6:00 p.m. Dinner will be over in time to attend the Smoker. Reservations should be made as early as possible through Carl Gronquist, Room 1104, 117 Liberty Street, Barclay 7-2616, or through Carl Rupp, 111 Eighth Avenue, Algonquin 5-1000, Ext. 315.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN ALUMNI DINNER

Engineering alumni of the University of Wisconsin will hold a dinner meeting at the Statler Hotel on Monday night, October 22 at 6:00 p.m. Dean M. O. Withey will be the speaker. Make reservations through Clarence Willson, American Iron & Steel Institute, 350 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. (Phone La. 4-5815.)

Post-Convention Trip to Bermuda and Nassau

Leave New York Saturday, October 27

On the Saturday immediately following the ASCE Annual Convention, a specially planned trip to Bermuda and Nassau is offered, for those who have earned a brief holiday. This luxury cruise presents opportunity for rest, relaxation, fun, a good get-together with a close circle of friends, and a real climax to the Annual Convention.

The luxurious Queen of Bermuda has been selected for the cruise. She was designed for world cruise accommodations, with comfort a prime consideration. For the ASCE cruise, excellent accommodations have been reserved in every price bracket.

The Itinerary

- Oct. 27 Saturday at 3:00 p.m. sail from New York. See the famous bays and skyline. Tea, dancing, and other entertainment.
- 28 The Gulf Stream, daydreaming in your deck chairs. Movies, tea, swimming, dancing.
- 29 Bermuda. Enjoy the charming scenery of the North Shore from the "Queen" as she moves through the long Channel into Hamilton Harbor, conceded to be one of the loveliest

small harbors in the world. Land at 9:00 a.m. Opportunity for a drive along the South Shore with its estates, around Harrington Sound, and visits to Devil's Hole, Crystal Cave, Perfume Factory, and Aquarium. Time for shopping, too. Sail at 3:00 p.m.

- 30 At sea with a complete program of shipboard entertainment.
- 31 Nassau. Proceed through the palm-bordered channel and arrive at anchorage at noon. There will be plenty of opportunity to make an excursion around the island, swim at Paradise Beach, visit the Marine Gardens, and shop for English-made goods. Paradise Beach is one of the most famous on the Atlantic Coast. Sail at midnight.

Nov.

- 1 Again at sea. Movies, dancing, swimming, horse races, bingo.
- 2 Snoozing in the deck chair, dreaming of another cruise in the future, or what will you?
- 3 Arrive New York at 9:00 a.m. A perfect holiday ended. We've been to Bermuda and Nassau.

The Inclusive Price

Prices begin at \$197.35 and go up in easy stages, depending on the type of room selected on the ship. All prices cover room with private bath, all meals and every feature that the ship offers, as well as federal, Bermuda, and Nassau taxes. A deposit of \$50.00 per person holds your place in the cabin that you select. Should you find later that you cannot go, your deposit will be refunded.

Your Reservation

Reservations must be made early. These Triangle cruises are very popular and the ship will be sold out long before sailing. Many will be making this the "high spot" of the summer vacation. Will you? Make your decision now.

Detailed Information

For the plan of the "Queen," rates, and answers to all cruise questions write direct to:

LEON V. ARNOLD
36 Washington Square West
New York 11, N.Y.

Mr. Arnold is in charge of all cruise arrangements.

Information and Registration

Information and registration facilities will be maintained in the Rotunda on the Convention floor of the Hotel Statler throughout the days of the convention. Mail and messages will be held for members at the Information Desk.

Hotel Accommodations

Headquarters of the Annual Convention will be the Hotel Statler, located on Seventh Avenue between 32nd and 33rd Streets, directly opposite, and connected to, Pennsylvania Station. Special arrangements have been made to accommodate many convention visitors at the headquarters hotel, up to capacity, in the order that reservation requests are received.

Send your reservation request early to assure space at the headquarters hotel. For your convenience a special request form is provided in the advertising section of this issue. Late requests may have to be assigned to other nearby hotels.

Annual Convention Committees

William S. La Londe, Jr., *Chairman*
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John P. Riley, *Past Chairman*

Dinner—Dance

J. M. Garrelts, *Chairman*
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Richard Hazen

Division Luncheons

Eugene M. Itjen, *Chairman*
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Smoker

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SOCIETY NEWS

Division Programs Planned at Chicago Conference

The heavy responsibility assumed by the ASCE Technical Divisions for progress in engineering technique was stressed by President Gail A. Hathaway in the opening address at the Technical Procedure Conference in Chicago. To discharge such responsibility the officers of the fourteen Divisions planned new procedures and activities. Among developments discussed is a program to utilize many more engineers in the work of the Divisions.

Meeting at the Hotel Sheraton in Chicago on August 24 and 25, nearly 50 representatives of the Divisions and related committees studied ways to meet the expanding needs of ASCE membership for development of research, design and construction improvements. To finance such activities the largest budget ever proposed for Division use (almost \$35,000) was recommended by the conference for adoption by the Board next October. Renewed emphasis was given to the cooperation of Divisions with Local Sections in the presentation of stronger programs at community level. On hand to urge such activity was Alfred J. Ryan, chairman of the Committee on Local Section Technical Coordination.

Programs for Conventions Planned

With an eye on developments for the ASCE Centennial Celebration, the conference worked with G. Donald Kennedy, chairman of the technical program for this 1952 event, on the extent of Technical Division participation in the program. A trend to cooperative sessions and symposiums seemed evident. Attention was also given to plans for the New Orleans and Denver conventions in 1952. B. M. Dornblatt, of New Orleans, and W. E. Blomgren, of Denver, presented highly constructive suggestions for these two conventions.

Engineering Society Cooperation Urged

In program planning, as well as in fields of standards, research, and pro-

duction of manuals, greater cooperation with related societies is needed, said Elmer K. Timby, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Construction Division. He led discussions of new cooperative procedures that would avoid expensive and time-consuming duplication of effort which currently is manifest in some fields. One possibility suggested by Prof. Jewell M. Garrelts, chairman of the Structural Division, is the joint sponsoring of conferences in specialty fields. Professor Garrelts related the successful experience of his Division in such conferences, held apart from ASCE Conventions.

Division-Sponsored Conferences

Division-sponsored conferences were another promising development discussed by Col. George R. Schneider, chairman of the Executive Committee of the Hydraulics Division. Experience gained at the Jackson meeting of the Hydraulics Division proved the acceptance of such programs, said Colonel Schneider. More Division-sponsored programs are being planned.

Additional Personnel for Divisions

Many Division activities suffer because of shortage of men and proper organization, was the conclusion of a discussion led by Prof. Philip C. Rutledge, chairman of the Soil Mechanics and Foundations Division. To ease this shortage, Professor Rutledge told of plans of his Division to utilize the willingness and ability of Junior Members in the work of various committees. One such program sorely needing more man hours of attention is the publication effort of Divisions. Professor Rutledge described the operations of the publications committee which has been set up by his Division to facilitate the outlet for technical information in that productive field.

On hand to lead the discussion of pub-

lication policies and procedures of ASCE was Waldo G. Bowman, chairman of the Publications Committee. The increased capacity for publication of papers made possible by the adoption of the "Separates" plan was pointed out. Further effort on the part of the Divisions is essential to the success of this program, said Mr. Bowman. New procedures were mapped by the assembled Division officers.

Chairman for the Technical Procedure Conference was Fred C. Scobey, also chairman of the Division Activities Committee and senior Vice-President of ASCE. Mr. Scobey presented current business to be considered by the conference, including organization of "joint" committees, formation of a Management Division, terms of office for Division officers, and other details of Division operation.

The possibility of making preprints of convention papers was discussed with procedures and costs by Don P. Reynolds, Assistant to the Secretary of ASCE. The need for early availability of the information presented at conventions was brought out. Financing of the program is yet to be worked out.

Civil Defense Efforts Needed

The attention of the Divisions was directed to the needs of the Civil Defense program by Professor Garrelts. The cooperative effort of the Divisions with military offices is needed, said Professor Garrelts, to utilize fully the abilities and knowledge of members of the Society. In similar fashion, the Divisions should have a more active part in the atomic energy program, said Alfred H. Wieters, chairman of the Sanitary Engineering Division. Needs and possible channels of productive cooperation were discussed.

Attendance at the conference included the chairmen of Division executive committees, the men who will become the new chairmen at the October Annual Convention, members of the Division activities committee, Executive Secretary William N. Carey and Assistant Secretary E. L. Chandler, and members of the Local Section Technical Coordination Committee. Officers of the Illinois Section joined the conference for luncheon on August 24. Preceding and following the conference four Divisions held executive committee meetings.

ASCE Co-Sponsors First U. S. Conference on Prestressed Concrete

Latent interest in the fast-developing field of prestressed concrete has erupted into a notable series of meetings, held at Massachusetts Institute of Technology August 14-16, 1951. The occasion was the "First U. S. Conference on Prestressed Concrete" in which the Structural Division of ASCE was co-sponsor with professional and trade associations. Indicative of the widespread interest in the subject was the attendance of from 500 to 600 engineers.

The keynote of the congress was set by Leo H. Corning, M. ASCE, manager, Structural and Railway Bureau, Portland Cement Association, in an address, "Why Prestressed Concrete," presented at the opening session. "Historians of engineering progress will note this conference as a milestone marking a development of unusual significance to the construction industry," he said. "The importance of prestressed concrete is overshadowed only by the original development of reinforced concrete itself." He drew several conclusions from the evidence of European practice and the limited experience of engineers in the United States. It is his opinion that if prestressed concrete is adopted "with confidence in American construction practice," better and more economical structures under many conditions of service will result. In addition the material "will conserve our not inexhaustible supply of natural resources."

The program, closely following the announcement in the August issue (page 63),

consisted of seven sessions divided into the general topics of applications, materials, design and research. It is planned to make the entire group of papers available for purchase later. In addition to the full program of papers, there were evening showings of films. There was also a continuous exhibition of photos and prestressing devices, illustrating methods developed in France, Belgium, Sweden, England, the United States, and elsewhere. The ingenuity apparent promises well for the vitality of this new application of an old method.

The "newness" was largely that of American viewpoint. While only two prestressed bridges have been built in the United States, many much larger structures have been developed in Europe. Whether the members were cast monolithically, or assembled from blocks before prestressing; whether the use was in buildings, pavements, piles, tanks, bridges, railroad ties or pipes; whether the reinforcement was grouted or left bare, the basic principle was the same. The main variations were shown to be in the methods of prestressing the concrete. Problems of construction, as distinct from design, were also frankly faced, with confession of errors. This same objective viewpoint was demonstrated by manufacturers in the submergence of commercial interest in favor of impartial offering of test and operational data.

As a result of the intense interest shown in this first series of meetings, the effort

was crystallized into more definite form by continuance of the conference committee with instructions to formulate plans for a permanent organization.

New ASCE Division Appoints Chairmen

Appointment for a two-year period of chairmen to the Advisory Board and various technical committees of the newly formed Engineering Mechanics Division of ASCE is announced by the executive committee of the Division. The appointees and their committee functions are as follows:

Harry N. Hill, chairman of the Advisory Board, which will have the duty of advising the Executive Committee on matters pertaining to awards, policies, appointments, and technical programs.

Mario G. Salvadori, chairman of the Committee on Applied Mathematics and Numerical Methods, which is to have the responsibility of developing and encouraging the application of analytical tools to civil engineering problems.

Dan H. Pletta, chairman of the Experimental Analysis and Analogues Committee, which is to foster the development and use of experimental methods and the utilization of techniques from other fields.

Hunter Rouse, chairman of the Committee on Fluid Dynamics, which will concern itself with promoting the study of basic problems in the flow of liquids and gases by analytical and experimental means.

Robert R. Philippe, chairman of the Committee on Mechanical Properties of Materials, which will have the function of investigating and correlating studies of the fundamental properties of engineering materials and of disseminating this information to the profession.

Daniel C. Drucker, chairman of the Committee on Plasticity Related to Design, which will study the phenomenon of plastic behavior in structures and application of the findings to design.

Merit P. White, chairman of the Committee on Structural Dynamics, which will study the behavior of structures under impulsive loading, including blast, earthquake and periodic forces.

All the technical committees of the Division will have the common purpose of formulating and developing studies and research in mechanics as they pertain to civil engineering problems, and of promoting coordination and cooperation with related groups in other societies and organizations.



SESSIONS OF FIRST PRESTRESSED CONCRETE CONFERENCE were held in huge main building (right foreground) on M.I.T. campus.

E. G. Bailey Receives John Fritz Medal

Ervin George Bailey, past-president of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and vice-president of the Babcock & Wilcox Co., has been selected by the John Fritz Medal Board of Award to receive the 1952 John Fritz Medal and Certificate "for outstanding engineering achievement in the field of combustion and distinguished service to his fellows in advancing the engineering profession."

Established in 1902 by friends of John Fritz to honor his contributions to the manufacture of steel and the advancement of industry generally, the John Fritz Medal is a joint award of the four Founder Societies.

The award to Mr. Bailey is the culmination of a long series of honors that have been bestowed upon him for his achievement and leadership in steam and combustion engineering and in professional activities. He assisted in the organization of the Engineers Joint Council and has been chairman of the Engineering Manpower Commission.

September 30 Is Closing Date for Yearbook Data

Members are reminded again that September 30, 1951, will be the closing date for making Yearbook changes in title or address. The cards mailed to members early in June should be filled out and returned at once if changes are needed. For the convenience of those who have misplaced the cards mailed them, a duplicate form appears on page 78 of this issue.

New Engineering Societies Monograph Is Available

Issuance of *Hydraulic Transients*, by George R. Rich, as eleventh publication in the Engineering Societies' Monographs series is announced by the Engineering Societies' Monographs Committee. The first adequate reference in the field since 1933, the 260-page publication is available for \$7 from the publisher, the McGraw-Hill Book Co.

Publication of the monographs is made possible by cooperative action of the four Founder Societies, United Engineering Trustees, Inc., the Engineering Societies Library, and the McGraw-Hill Book Co., which since 1931 have had an agreement for the production of a series of selected books "adjudged to possess usefulness for engineers and industry."

The objectives of the arrangement are: "To provide monographs of high technical quality within the field of engineering; to rescue from obscurity important technical manuscripts that might not be published commercially because of too limited sale without special introduction; to develop manuscripts to fill gaps in existing literature; and to collect into one volume scattered information of special timeliness on a given subject."

ASCE Bulletin Studies Water and Sewage Rates

How should a utility, whether publicly or privately owned, compute and establish fair rates and fair-rate structures for water and sewage works? This basic question has been the subject of long study by an authoritative joint committee, with Sanitary Engineering Division representatives under Samuel A. Greeley, M. ASCE of Chicago, Ill., heading one group, and a similar committee of the American Bar Association Section of Municipal Law under John D. McCall of Dallas, Tex. Six other professional organizations cooperated. After almost three years of study the result is a joint report entitled "Fundamental Considerations in Rates and Rate Structures for Water and Sewage Works" now available for distribution as ASCE Bulletin No. 2.

This valuable analysis has been published in the Ohio State Law Journal and is now offered as a 128-page sewed booklet in paper covers, available for purchase from the Society at \$0.75 a copy.

Salary Survey Reprints Ready

Reprint copies of the seven-page article, "Survey of Salaries for Civil Engineering Positions—Spring 1951," conducted by the Committee on Salaries and published in the August issue, are available from the Executive Secretary ASCE, 33 West

39th Street, New York 18, N.Y. They are priced at 25 cents each for one to four copies or 10 cents each in lots of ten or more copies.

ASCE Director Walter Ryan Dies in Office

The sudden death of ASCE Director Walter J. Ryan—in Tacoma, Wash., on August 12—will come as a shock to his many friends in the Society. Mr. Ryan, who was 69, had had a consulting office in Tacoma since 1947. His term as Society



WALTER J. RYAN
(1882-1951)

Director for District 12 would have expired in January 1953.

Mr. Ryan was with the Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. from 1914 to 1947, serving as engineer for the subsidiary companies—Snoqualmie Falls Lumber, Cherry Valley Logging, Columbia and Cowlitz Railway—and after 1923 as chief logging engineer at Tacoma. About a year ago he was in New Zealand, where he was engaged as consultant for the New Zealand Forest Service on matters of logging engineering. His earlier experience was with the Northern Pacific Railway and the U.S. Reclamation Service. A native of Nebraska, Mr. Ryan attended Oberlin College (A.B., 1903), Purdue University and Cornell University (C. E., 1906). He was especially interested in development of the proper use of timber as a structural material.

Elected an Associate Member of ASCE in 1910 and Member in 1919, Mr. Ryan helped in the organization of the Tacoma Section, which he served as president in 1933. He was active in ASCE committee work and served as chairman for the Society's Annual Convention in Tacoma in 1931. He had been president of the Pacific Logging Congress and was active in various forest products research organizations.

FROM THE NATION'S CAPITAL

JOSEPH H. EHLERS, M. ASCE

Field Representative ASCE

Legislation

The Defense Housing Bill, S. 349, was finally enacted by both Houses of Congress. It includes a provision for financial aid for community facilities other than schools in critical defense areas, not to exceed a total of \$60 million. Credit Regulation X is relaxed; FHA receives an additional \$1½ billion of mortgage insurance authority. There are provisions for assistance in producing prefabricated housing and for some public housing where needed.

A slash of 87 percent in the \$535 million request for civil defense appropriations was accompanied by a House statement as follows: "The confidence of the American people in a civil defense program cannot be won by merely making larger appropriation of federal funds."

The House Civil Service Committee has approved proposed legislation which would give federal employees a pay raise of about \$400 a year.

Control of the Point IV and other foreign-aid programs depends on reconciliation of House and Senate versions of proposed legislation. The House proposes to put all overseas assistance programs under a new Mutual Security Agency. Under the Senate proposal Point IV would remain with the State Department, the ECA would continue until July 1952, and the Defense Department would direct military aid. A considerable reduction in the administration's \$½ billion foreign-aid program is expected.

NPA Regulations

After several weeks of confusion during which regulations were issued, withdrawn, rewritten and reissued, a revised construction regulation M-4A, as amended August 20, 1951, seems to establish a new framework for construction operations. This regulation, together with CMP Reg. 6, as amended August 3, and Direction 1 to CMP Reg. 6, as amended August 22, should be in the hands of all engineers responsible for design or construction. Older orders, including Reg. M-4 and the August 3rd issue of Reg. M-4A, are obsolete.

The basic restriction stated in CMP Reg. 6 is as follows: "Except where otherwise specifically provided by NPA, no person shall continue construction that has been commenced or commence

construction unless he has received an authorized construction schedule for such construction."

With reference to general engineering construction (excluding recreational and residential structures), NPA does "otherwise specifically provide" as follows in Order M-4A, Section 5 (b)(2), "A person shall not continue construction that has been commenced of any building structure or project... without submitting an application on Form CMP-4C, if his total requirements for delivery after September 30, 1951... exceed the amounts specified (two tons of steel per project per calendar quarter).

Generally speaking, it is permissible to continue construction by the use of such materials as the owner or contractor has in his possession. The rules relate to granting of assistance in obtaining further supplies of critical steel, copper and aluminum. Everyone needing more than two tons of steel for delivery in the fourth quarter should file a CMP-4C application.

One point that is not clear is whether an owner or contractor having materials on hand, but also needing mill shipments of sizable amounts after October 1, may continue construction in so far as his available materials permit without having received his approved CMP allotment for the remaining materials. Informal conversations with top NPA officials indicate that this will be permitted. Their interest is in controlling deliveries of materials rather than in limiting construction. Of course until he actually receives the approval of an allotment, the engineer has no assurance that it will be forthcoming.

Special and stricter rules apply to recreational construction and multi-unit residential construction. In certain cir-

cumstances such construction cannot proceed even prior to October 1. A self-certification system is established for projects using small amounts of critical materials: two tons of steel and 200 lb of copper for general engineering construction; 25 tons of steel and 2,000 lb of copper for industrial plants per project per quarter; and from one to three tons of steel for residential buildings. The use of structural steel is prohibited in residential buildings.

The basic form for use in obtaining materials for construction is CMP-4C, which can be obtained at any U.S. Department of Commerce (NPA) field office.

In view of the almost certain shortage of controlled materials for construction in the last quarter of this year, essentiality will be the criterion for approval of materials allotments. Non-essential construction will not be dealt with liberally in the fourth quarter. The following classes of priority have been established:

1. Construction projects which will further the defense effort by providing facilities in areas adjacent to military establishments or defense plants, and also steel, aluminum, and aircraft facilities.

2. Construction essential to the public health, safety or welfare; other industrial facilities issued a certificate of necessity under construction before August 3.

3. Industrial construction issued a certificate of necessity but not started before August 3; also construction required as a result of disasters.

4. All other construction.

The situation with respect to steel will be unfavorable until about the middle of 1952 when some new facilities should begin production. The aluminum situation is about the same, but will get worse if further military aviation needs develop. The copper outlook appears dark for the duration.

Two NPA Divisions have been listed as additional claimant agencies—the Industrial Expansion Division and the Water Resources Division. The latter has jurisdiction over construction of facilities for water supply, including treatment, storage, and distribution, and facilities for sewage collection, treatment and disposal. These two divisions may be addressed through the National Production Authority, Washington 25, D.C.

Price, Wage and Salary Controls

In general Overriding Regulation 14, OPS exempts engineering fees from price regulations. The exemption does not apply to engineering firms engaged in the sale of equipment or in contract construction.

Wage-earning and salaried employees are under the control of the Wage Stabilization Board and the Salary Stabilization Board. The compensation of an employee to whom the provisions of the

ASCE MEMBERSHIP AS OF AUGUST 9, 1951

Members	7,934
Associate Members	10,205
Junior Members	14,492
Affiliates	68
Honorary Members	39
Fellows	1
Total	32,739
(August 9, 1950	29,340)

Fair Employment Practices Act apply or who is under a collective bargaining agreement is governed by rulings of the Wage Stabilization Board; others exempt as professional employees are governed by the actions of the Salary Stabilization Board, which generally follows the wage rulings where feasible. Currently both wage and salary ceilings are permissible at 10 percent over the January 15, 1950, level. A revision in Regulation No. 8, issued August 24, permits further cost-of-living adjustments in wages. It is very possible, but not certain, that salary ceilings may be adjusted similarly sometime in September.

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Coming Local Section Events

Illinois—Luncheon meetings at The Chicago Engineers Club on September 14, 21, and 28, at 12 noon. An evening joint meeting with the Mechanics Colloquium is scheduled for October 3.

Indiana—Annual meeting of Local Sections in District 9 Council, on September 22 and 23, at Clifty Falls State Park, Madison, Ind.

Los Angeles—Dinner meeting at the Alexandria Hotel, Los Angeles, on September 12, at 6:30 p.m., preceded by Junior Forum meeting at 6:00 p.m. The Sanitary Group meets at the Hotel Clark on September 26.

Philadelphia—Dinner meeting at the Engineers' Club, Philadelphia, on October 9, at 6:00 p.m.

Sacramento—Regular luncheon meetings at the Elks Club every Tuesday, at 12:30 p.m.

West Virginia—Annual meeting in the Club Room of the Daniel Boone Hotel, Charleston, on October 5 and 6.

Scheduled ASCE Conventions

ANNUAL CONVENTION
New York, N.Y., October 22-26

SPRING CONVENTION
New Orleans, La., March 5-7,
1952

News of Local Sections Briefed

SECTION	DATE	ATTENDANCE	PROGRAM
Mid-South Jackson Branch	July 26	13	Monthly dinner meeting. A colored film on the design and construction of the U. N. Secretariat Building in New York was presented.
New Mexico	July 21	43	Summer meeting. Inspection tour of various construction projects at Los Alamos followed a business meeting. At the dinner meeting, President Lassetter introduced new members and officers. The guest speaker, G. B. Dwyre, Director of District 15, gave his observations as a Director. Col. Reuben E. Cole was toastmaster for the evening.
Puerto Rico	July 29	...	Annual outing and picnic for families and friends of members of the Puerto Section.
Sacramento	July 3	107	A colored film sponsored by the American Institute of Steel Construction, on various phases of structural steel construction, was featured at a luncheon meeting.
	July 10	96	Dr. Frank F. Tallman, director of the State Division of Mental Hygiene, spoke on "The Stress Analysis of Human Beings."
	July 17	132	The elevated viaduct which will carry traffic between Bay Bridge and Bayshore Highways was described by Leonard C. Hollister, Engineer of Design of the Bridge Department, State Division of Highways.
	July 24	66	George F. Hellesoe, Assistant State Highway Engineer in Charge of Maintenance, outlined the history of snow removal in California and illustrated his talk with slides.

President Hathaway Is Initiated

Into Tau Beta Pi at Oregon State



ASCE PRESIDENT GAIL A. HATHAWAY, principal speaker at recent joint dinner meeting of Oregon State College Student Chapter and Tau Beta Pi chapter, is shown here with (left to right) Len Weber, president of Tau Beta Pi chapter; Darrell Hallegan, president of Society's Student Chapter; and Dr. Charles Mockmore, head of the college's civil engineering department. Preceding dinner President Hathaway, Oregon State alumnus was initiated into Tau Beta Pi.

NEWS BRIEFS...

Construction Activity in July Shows Small Increase

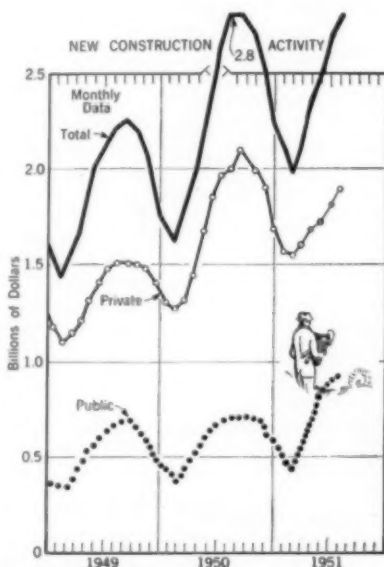
New construction outlays for July, valued at nearly \$2.8 billion, represented an increase of 3 percent over both the June 1951 and the July 1950 totals, according to preliminary estimates issued jointly by the Building Materials Division of the U.S. Department of Commerce and the U.S. Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics.

This relatively small rise in construction activity is attributed to the increasing effect of restrictions on building. Private homebuilding activity failed to show the usual seasonal increase and was about 30 percent under last year's record rate. Commercial building began to drop, and there was a continued decline in construction of social and recreational facilities, the joint agencies report.

Construction of peacetime public works during the month gave way to atomic energy, defense plant, and military projects. Highway construction activity rose, less than seasonally and was slightly under last year's figure. Reclamation and flood-control work was also off slightly from July 1950 levels, despite the fact that priority is given power-producing projects. Total public construction expenditures of \$932 million were up 6 percent from June and 37 percent above July 1950.

Private outlays for new construction this July totaled \$1,858 million—2 percent above the June total, but 8 percent below July 1950 levels. Expenditures for private construction during the first seven months of the year were 8 percent greater than in

the corresponding period of 1950, compared with a 32 percent increase in outlays for public construction during the period.



NEW CONSTRUCTION IN JULY, representing 3 percent increase over both June 1951 and July 1950 figures, is shown here in Department of Commerce curves.

Navy Continues Large Construction Program

Two major projects in the expansion of the Naval Air Station at Alameda, Calif., have been placed under contract by the Navy Civil Engineer Corps. The jobs will cost \$4,035,556. A contract for the extension and strengthening of one runway and the construction of an 8,000-ft landing strip has been awarded to the combined firm of Stolte, Inc., and Gallagher-Burk, of San Francisco, on a low bid of \$2,886,556. Monson Bros., of Oakland, Calif., has been given a contract for \$1,449,000 to construct an engine overhaul building together with all necessary utilities. The facilities will be ready for use next summer.

Another important California project will be rehabilitation of the Naval Auxiliary Air Station at Brown Field. The first con-

tract in this project has been awarded to the Pacific Rock & Gravel Co., of Monrovia, Calif., for extension of a runway by 1,850 ft. The low bid was \$1,137,000. Bids for two other Brown Field jobs, covering rehabilitation of 50 buildings, will be advertised soon.

Work is also proceeding rapidly on one of the Navy's largest West Coast projects—the Naval Radio Station at Arlington, Wash., which will be the nation's most powerful low-frequency communications outlet. Several contracts for construction of this \$11,400,000 facility have been awarded during the past few weeks, and contracts for most of the other work will be let by October 30.

Recent award of a \$2,320,000 contract for the construction of two buildings for the Fleet Air Defense Training Center at Dam Neck, Va., has also been announced. Low bidder was the Virginia Engineering Co., of Newport News, Va.

All-weather testing facilities in the Material Laboratory at the New York Naval Shipyard are now being completed, though the new units will be tried out for a period of six months before the project is accepted. With the 14 chambers and a refrigeration plant that comprise the facility, the Navy will be able to conduct complicated tests on electronic equipment under varied environmental conditions.

Ground Is Broken for Port Richmond Sewage Works

Ground-breaking ceremonies marking the start of construction of the Port Richmond Sewage Treatment Works took place recently, with Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri the principal speaker and Frederick H. Zurmuhlen, M. ASCE, Commissioner of Public Works, presiding. The first modern sewage-treatment works to be built on Staten Island under New York City's \$106,000,000 pollution-abatement program, the Port Richmond plant will have a capacity of 10 mgd. Cost of construction will be \$2,500,000. A second Staten Island works—the 15-mgd Oakwood Beach Plant—is under design.

The city's five-year program to provide facilities for elimination of pollution from its beaches and waters provides for the construction of seven modern sewage-treatment plants with a combined capacity of 400 mgd. One of the seven, the 60-mgd 26th Ward Plant, went into service in May 1950 to provide full activated sludge treatment. The 120-mgd Hunts Point plant in the Bronx and the Owls Head (160-mgd) and Rockaway (15-mgd) plants in Brooklyn are in advanced stages of construction.

Contract Awarded for Atomic Power Facilities

The Westinghouse Electric Corp. has received a contract for equipment to carry electric power to the atomic energy plant at Paducah, Ky. The \$6,700,000 contract was received from the F. H. McGraw Co., which is building the new plant for the Atomic Energy Commission. Included in the contract are large numbers of 10,000-kva circuit breakers, the largest ever constructed for use on 161-kv lines; many low-voltage circuit breakers and unit substations; and five 100,000-kva transformers.

New Aluminum Plant to Be Fueled by Lignite

A new aluminum smelting plant, the first in history to use lignite (sub-bituminous coal) for fuel, will be built by the Aluminum Company of America on a site near Waco, Tex. The large amounts of electricity required in aluminum manufacturing will be generated by steam-driven equipment fueled by extensive deposits of lignite in the area. Use of lignite as a major source of low-cost power has recently been made possible by the Texas Power & Light Co., which sponsored an extensive research and experimental program, and by the U. S. Bureau of Mines, which carried out the project in a pilot plant at Denver, Colo.

The new plant, which will have an annual production capacity of 85,000 tons of aluminum, represents another step in the company's program of expansion to meet defense and increased civilian needs for aluminum. Production of metal is expected to start in the early fall of 1952.

Army Speeds Defense Projects in Alaska

Award of several large Alaska District Engineer contracts for defense projects is announced by the Corps of Engineers. In bids received from contractors all over the United States for construction of outside utilities at Ladd Air Force Base, Peter Kiewit Sons, of Omaha, Nebr., led the competition with a low bid of \$8,493,313. This contract will provide for construction of outside utilities in both the Army and Air Force areas at Ladd Air Force Base.

Construction of an Army Communication Station at Kenai, Alaska, will also proceed with award of a \$6,329,364 contract to the New York City firm of Grove, Shepherd, Wilson & Kruege. The multi-item project will include a barracks, operations and headquarters buildings, and the utilities to serve them.

Fifth Pan-American Highway Congress to Meet in Peru

The Fifth Pan-American Highway Congress—to be held in Lima, Peru, October 8-15—will bring together for the first time in ten years representatives of all the American republics in an attempt to coordinate development of highways and highway transportation in the Western Hemisphere. In addition to the official delegation, representatives of non-official groups, including business and industry, may attend the conference as observers.

The congress will consider all phases of highway construction, maintenance and improvement, highway uses, and the Pan-American Highway System. There will

also be a round-table discussion on the program of the U.S. Technical Cooperation program for aiding the development of highways and highway transportation in Latin-America.

Both the International Road Federation and the Federation of Inter-American Automobile Clubs will hold meetings in conjunction with the Congress, which will include inspection trips over sections of the Pan-American Highway, exhibits and displays, and a number of social events as well

as the technical program. Congress headquarters will be the Palacio Municipal of Lima which, in addition to housing the municipal offices, contains priceless collections of art.

Established in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1925, the Pan-American Highway Congress last met in Mexico City in 1941. Information concerning the present congress may be obtained from the International Road Federation, 550 Washington Building, Washington 5, D.C.

Delaware Memorial Bridge Is Opened to Traffic

Opening of the \$44,000,000 Delaware Memorial Bridge across the Delaware River between southern New Jersey and northern Delaware, on August 15, was hailed by the governors of both states as an important development in expediting traffic between the North and the South, in the dedication ceremonies. President Truman, in a message to Governor Carvel of Delaware, said that the bridge will be "not only a boon to the motoring public and commercial transport, but in time of national defense a necessary utility." It will connect Delaware's du Pont Highway with the New Jersey Turnpike, now nearing completion.

Opening of the highway will end ferry service between Pennsville, N.J., and New Castle, Del., which has long constituted a serious traffic bottleneck. According to engineering estimates, the bridge will carry an average of 13,000 vehicles a day during its first year and 21,000 a day during its tenth year. It will have a peak capacity of 30,000 vehicles a day, in comparison with a reported daily capacity of 8,000 vehicles for the ferry.

Begun in 1947 as a memorial to the war dead of both states, the new four-lane Delaware River crossing is the sixth longest suspension span in the world. It has an over-all length of 3 1/2 miles, including an actual bridge length of 10,765 ft between abutments. Underclearance of 175 ft above high water for a channel width of 1,500 ft is provided.

With most of the site of the Delaware Memorial Bridge within the State of Delaware, the State of New Jersey passed enabling legislation so the entire project could be built, owned, and maintained by the State of Delaware. Engineers for the state were Howard, Needles, Tammen & Bergendoff, of Kansas City and New York, with O. H. Ammann, M. ASCE, and Moran, Proctor, Freeman & Mueser, of New York, as consultants. The substructure was constructed by Merritt-Chapman & Scott, and the superstructure by the American Bridge Co., a subsidiary of the United States Steel Corp.

Various construction phases of the project were described in the November 1949 and November 1950 issues.



NEW SUSPENSION BRIDGE across Delaware River just south of Wilmington, opened to traffic on August 15, constitutes vital artery in north-south traffic flow.

Heavy Equipment Speeds Clean-Up in Midwestern Flood Area



VAST CLEAN-UP OPERATION in wake of disastrous billion-dollar flood in Kansas-Missouri area is expedited by use of heavy equipment, though job of removing debris and restoring facilities will require many months. Railroad facilities in hard-hit areas of Kansas City and Topeka have to be cleared for action and rebuilt in many cases. Rolling stock lost in Kansas amounted to 22,100 cars, while losses in Missouri totaled 65,000 cars. Here C. H. Fauerbach, contractor of St. Mary's Kans., has two Caterpillar D6 Bulldozers and one D7 Bulldozer on the job of pulling a half mile of washed-out Rock Island tracks back to dry land near Topeka, where the flooding Kaw River inundated several million acres of land. Five Kansas contractors, pooling their resources under the name of Topeka Disaster, Inc., are still cleaning up street and sewer facilities in badly flooded North Topeka. Photo courtesy of Caterpillar Tractor Co.

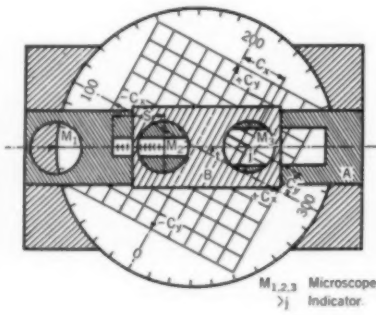
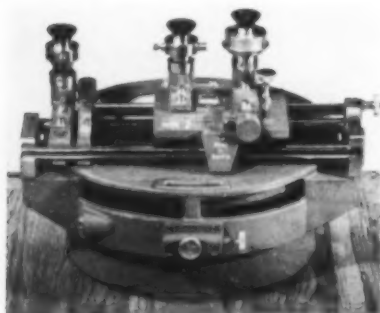
Instrument Mechanically Computes Coordinates

An instrument, called Coorapid, is being manufactured by R. & A. Rost, Vienna, for mechanical computation of rectangular coordinates of survey traverse points without the use of either tables of trigonometric functions or calculating machines.

According to Serge A. Emery, civil engineer of Freeport, N.Y., who furnished the accompanying photograph and sketch, and material from which this release is prepared, the Coorapid instrument consists of a horizontal circle graduated in minutes on which the azimuth of the course is set to an accuracy of 0.1 min, by a microscope M_1 attached to the fixed frame, A (See Fig. 1); and a platform, B , which is moved along

an immobile diameter of the graduated circle, and to which microscopes, M_1 and M_2 are attached. When the azimuth of a course is set under microscope M_1 , and the length of the course is set under microscope M_2 , the rectangular coordinates of the corresponding point may be read under microscope M_3 .

The instrument is said to give results equal to those obtained by the use of five-place tables of trigonometric functions. It readily solves other types of problems involving rectangular triangles, such as reducing lengths measured on a slope to the horizontal; determining bearing and distance from coordinates; orientation in



photogrammetry; and checking higher-order computations of coordinates. In the United States and Canada the instrument is sold by Geo-Optic Co., 2416 Atlantic Ave. Brooklyn, N. Y.

Large Titanium Plant Will Be Built in Nevada

The first large-scale and self-contained plant for production of titanium metal will be constructed at Henderson, Nev., by the Titanium Metals Corporation of America, a company owned jointly by the National Lead Co. and the Allegheny Ludlum Steel Corp., under the terms of a recent contract with the government. A contract for engineering and constructing the \$14,000,000 plant has been awarded the H. K. Ferguson Co., industrial engineers and builders of Cleveland, Ohio.

To be located on the site of a wartime magnesium plant built by the government and operated by Basic Magnesium, Inc., the project will utilize various major components of the former plant and require a minimum amount of new construction. Terms of the contract with the government call for initial production of 3,600 tons of titanium metal a year, and operations are expected to reach this level by late 1952. The Colorado Power Commission has allocated an annual power supply of 151,000,000 kwhr, generated at nearby Hoover and Davis dams, for operation of the plant, which will include the production of titanium sponge and the melting of titanium metal into ingots. Present world production of titanium is only 500 tons a year.

A certificate of necessity covering the project has been signed by the government in response to an urgent demand from both military and atomic energy agencies for titanium metals and titanium-base alloys, with their exceptional physical properties.

Army Engineers Let Contract for Fuel Storage Facility

A \$1,557,290 low-bid contract for construction of a fuel bulk storage facility at North Charleston, S.C., has been awarded to the Merritt-Chapman & Scott Corp. by the Charleston District of the Corps of Engineers. The project will include construction of two 18-in. overground parallel pipelines running 2 1/2 miles from an existing dock on the Cooper River to a new tank farm to be erected on 45 acres of wooded terrain, which will be cleared and graded as part of the contract. The pipeline will be supported by concrete piers.

The project will be under the over-all direction of Col. C. L. Landaker, district engineer, with Capt. Charles Wilson, Jun. M. ASCE, in charge of the work for the Corps of Engineers.

Production of Steel at New High for Six-Month Period

A sharp rise in steel production for the first half of the year over the same period in 1950 is reported by the American Iron and Steel Institute. The record high total of finished steel shipped in the first half of 1951 was 40,006,000 net tons—an increase of 5,442,000 tons, or 15 percent, above the first half of 1950.

Though much of this increase went to industries that are always large consumers of steel, such as railroads, oil-well drilling, machinery and shipbuilding, the amount of steel provided for direct defense purposes rose sharply in the period. Makers of aircraft, guns, tanks, and similar products received nearly 500,000 tons more steel than in the corresponding period of 1950. In June, direct shipments of steel for the manufacture of ordnance and other military goods were nearly 105,000 net tons, almost twenty times more than shipments last June.

Fulbright Awards in Engineering Announced

Availability of opportunities for university lecturing and post-doctoral research awards under the Fulbright Act is announced for the academic year of 1952-1953 by the Conference Board of Associated Research Councils.

The program for Europe and the Near East includes openings for visiting lecturers in hydroelectric engineering at the Institute of Technology, Trondheim; in hydrodynamics at the University of Oslo; in civil engineering, with specialization in prestressed concrete, at the University of Ghent; in fluid mechanics and applied hydraulics at the University of Technology, Vienna; in hydraulic power development and hydrology and in soil mechanics and foundation engineering at Fouad I University, Egypt; and in roads and transportation and in sanitary engineering at Farouk I University, Egypt.

A research scholarship in sanitary engineering is available at Milan Polytechnic Institute. The visiting scholar would also be requested to give a short course of lectures and seminars in the field. These lectures would be delivered in Italian, and German is required for the lectures in fluid mechanics and applied hydraulics at the University of Technology in Vienna. The other lectures listed may be given in English.

The closing date for making application for these Fulbright awards is October 15, 1951. Applications for awards in any subject will also be accepted for Greece and Turkey, though details of the programs in these countries have not yet been worked out. Inquiries should be sent to the Conference Board of Associated Research Councils, Committee on International Exchange of Persons, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D.C.

Monorail Transit System Planned for Los Angeles

A bill authorizing the creation of a Los Angeles Metropolitan Transit Authority, with power to build and operate a monorail overhead transportation system for relief of traffic congestion in metropolitan Los Angeles, was signed by Governor Warren on July 24. The proposed 44-mile monorail system which has been under discussion for some years, would follow the Los Angeles River bed between the San Fernando Valley and Long Beach.

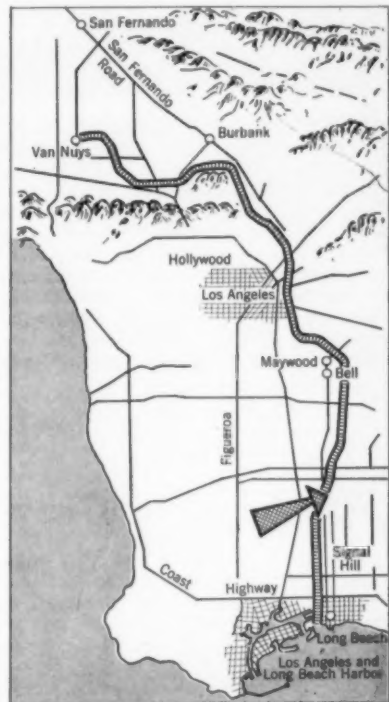
It would consist of two rails—one for incoming and the other for outgoing cars—mounted on V-shaped steel supports spaced approximately 70 ft apart. Cars, suspended on two wheels each, would run singly or together in trains of up to five. They would travel 16 ft above the ground, rising occasionally to clear obstructions or dipping under a bridge. The cars would be propelled by electric motors, encased in the wheel mountings, at an average speed of 38.1 mph, compared with the present average speed of about 9 mph for surface rail transportation. Concave rollers mounted on the top of each car would prevent derailment at speeds up to 55 mph.

Passengers, served by feeder bus lines, would board the monorail by escalators paying their fares at turnstiles. The newly created transit authority will be granted power to operate feeder bus lines to the monorail if existing transportation facilities are not adequate.

Monorail development in Southern California is being handled by two affiliated private organizations—the Monorail Engineering & Construction Corp., which is concerned with actual construction of the system, and the Southern California Monorail & Transit System, Inc., which was organized to promote the monorail plan until the transit authority can take over. Before the bill signed by Governor Warren goes into effect federal authorization must be obtained. Final right-of-way procurement will also be required from the city and the Los Angeles County Flood Control District.

The total cost of the proposed system is estimated at between \$60,000,000 and

\$80,000,000 for the route described. This would make the cost per mile about \$1,500,000, compared with an estimated \$10,000,000 a mile for a subway. Present plans for financing call for underwriting by the National Security Resources Board on the basis of the system's defense importance. The loan would be repaid by the sale of revenue bonds.



ROUTE OF PROPOSED 44-MILE MONORAIL SYSTEM is shown here. This map is reproduced through courtesy of "The Los Angeles Times."

ECA Inaugurates \$250,000,000 Philippine Development Program

A five-year drive to expand production and open new lands in the Philippines has been launched by the Economic Cooperation Administration, following the recent signing of a bilateral agreement between the United States and Philippine governments. According to the *Philippine Newsletter*, which reports the program, "significant improvement has already been made in the Philippine economic picture as a result of carrying out the United States pre-conditions in offering this aid." These conditions include legislation to balance the budget and to establish a minimum wage law and other fiscal and social reforms. As a counterpart to United States expenditures, the Philip-

pine government will match dollars with pesos at the rate of two to one, this fund to pay for local costs of service and materials.

The ECA program, which will total \$250,000,000, with \$15,000,000 being spent by the end of 1951, will concentrate at the outset, on acceleration and expansion of existing sources of production by the use of fertilizer and irrigation and the building of roads to give access to undeveloped lands. Public health, considered as both a social and economic need, will be another top-priority project.

Technical specialists from the United States are assisting Philippine government agencies in working out the plan. Los Banos College of Agriculture, which will serve as a base for bringing agricultural know-how to the farmers, has already received shipments of fertilizer and equipment.

Work on Turnpike Extension Nears Completion



CONSTRUCTION RECORDS TOPPLE as 67-mile Western Extension of Pennsylvania Turnpike System nears completion. Construction crew of L. G. Defelice & Son Co., of North Haven, Conn., is shown at work on 6,166-ft stretch of concrete, 12 ft wide, which was laid in single day, establishing all-time record. Ten-mile stretch of the new Western Extension from Irwin to the Pittsburgh Interchange, near Monroeville, was opened to traffic on August 7. With completion of Western Extension in October, the 327-mile Pennsylvania Turnpike System will traverse almost the entire state. Recent legislation will permit the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission to construct a link east from the present Philadelphia Extension called the Delaware River Extension. Connecting by bridge across the Delaware River with an extension of the New Jersey Turnpike, proposed extension will make possible a limited-access, superhighway system from the George Washington Bridge to the Ohio border. Photo courtesy Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission.

Water Conservation Program Combats San Diego Drought

Steps being taken by the City and County of San Diego to cope with the worst drought ever experienced in the area are described in a recent release from M. J. Shelton, a director of the San Diego County Water Authority and chairman of the San Diego County Water Conservation Committee. The situation is aggravated, Mr. Shelton notes, by recent large increases in population resulting from the greatly expanded military program and rapid industrial development of the area.

With last winter's runoff one of the lowest on record and with delivery of Colorado water through the San Diego Aqueduct not equalling consumption, it became apparent early this year that something must be done, Mr. Shelton states. Studies made by the San Diego County Water Authority disclosed that water in storage throughout the county totaled only 17 percent of capacity, a gradual reduction having been in progress ever since 1944 when the last above-normal runoff occurred. It was found that, even with normal use, a total of 118,000 acre-ft would be required by the San Diego County Water Authority agencies making up the membership of the organization, whereas the aqueduct is capable of delivering only 73,000 acre-ft, even if pushed beyond its normal capacity by careful operation and chlorination to eliminate slime growth. Since there have been five years of sub-normal runoff since 1944, it is reasonable to assume that runoff will continue subnormal during the coming winter. This condition, Mr. Shelton says, would result in ex-

haustion of all the reservoirs by the end of 1952 even if the aqueduct is kept to maximum delivery.

Early in April a county-wide Citizens' Water Conservation Program was organized, and a special six-man water-conservation committee appointed by the San Diego County Water Authority. Local conservation committees have also been formed to give wide publicity to the program. The initial stages of the program were financed by a special appropriation made available by the Water Authority, and a finance committee of the Water Conservation Committee has raised sufficient funds through a general assessment program to finance the publicity program for the rest of the year.

Early in the program a "Target Day" was established, with the goal of reducing normal consumption in the City of San Diego from 51,000,000 gal per day to 34,000,000 gal. The first "Target Day" almost reached the goal by cutting down consumption to 38,550,000 gal. Daily newspaper, radio, and television publicity keep before consumers the results of their co-operation by comparing consumption figures with those for the same day a year ago. The Plumbing Contractors Association has also published a series of articles showing the consumer how to make plumbing repairs to eliminate leaking fixtures, and special "Fix-It Days" are also being observed. Over a period of three months, the conservation program has reduced water consumption by 20 percent, but even so,

storage has fallen to about 14 percent.

As a more fundamental means of correcting the situation, the San Diego County Water Authority, with a membership of ten water agencies representing about 80 percent of the water used in the county, has for the past two years been taking preliminary steps toward construction of the Second Barrel of the San Diego Aqueduct. The cost of this project is estimated at approximately \$18,000,000, repayable over a 40-year period by the San Diego County Water Authority. During construction of the original aqueduct, all tunnels were built to full capacity, whereas the other aqueduct features were constructed to only about 50 percent of capacity. Preliminary engineering and feasibility reports, made by the Navy and the Bureau of Reclamation at the request of the Water Authority, have been completed. At best, however, the Second Barrel will not be able to deliver water until the 1953-1954 season. This, Mr. Shelton says, makes particularly urgent the success of the water conservation program.

Boston to Have Central Wholesale Produce Market

An interest-free advance of \$78,000 to assist the Massachusetts Market Authority in making plans for a new centralized wholesale produce market for Boston has been approved by the Housing and Home Finance Agency. The project, which is estimated to cost about \$18,500,000, will replace the Faneuil Hall Market District that will be largely demolished to provide right-of-way for the new arterial highway system through the city being built by the Massachusetts Public Works Department.

Occupying a 170-acre site in South Boston, the project will require acquisition and razing of privately owned buildings and railroad facilities and relocation of considerable trackage. Complete drainage and sewer systems will be required, together with a system of water mains. Sea-wall protection will be necessary along the South Bay frontage, and plans call for reclaiming about 8½ acres of water area.

Engineers on the project are Praeger-Maguire, of New York, and the Boston engineering firm of Fay, Spofford & Thorndike.

Army Approves New Texas Flood Control Project

A plan to construct a dam and reservoir near Gonzales, Tex., and make channel improvements at San Antonio and Kenedy, Tex., has been tentatively approved by the Army Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors. Recommended by the Fort Worth District Engineer, the plan provides for a dam and reservoir at Mile 5.4 on the San Antonio River and tributary streams at San Antonio, Tex. Objectives of the plan are flood control and water conservation.

Prestressed Concrete for Industrial Building Studied

More than 150 engineers, building code officials and representatives of engineering schools and technical societies witnessed tests to destruction of a 40-ft prestressed concrete beam and a 60-ft prestressed girder conducted by the Austin Company at its Bliss Mill Division in Euclid, Ohio, on August 9. The tests followed a year and a half of research by the company's engineers into the potentialities of prestressed concrete in commercial and industrial building. The current critical shortage of steel emphasizes the need for a material suitable for building frames. A prestressed building requires no more than 25 percent of the steel required in a structural steel building.

The 40-ft beam and the 60-ft girder were chosen because of the general acceptance in the United States of 40- and 60-ft column spacing as the desirable minimum. While prestressed concrete construction has been used widely in Europe, in the United States it has been applied almost exclusively to tanks, and to a few bridges. Its use in large industrial buildings has not been recorded.

The tests by Austin engineers were made to gain first-hand knowledge about practical construction problems, such as the use of low-slump high-early-strength concrete; the handling, cutting, and placing of high-strength (over 200,000 psi) prestressing steel wires; and the use of vibrators. The tests were also devised to establish confidence in the use of prestressing methods, materials, and equipment.

The 40-ft beam, designated F-40, was designed by the Freyssinet Co., of New York. The dimensions of the I-section at mid span were: depth, 26 in.; top flange, 18 in. wide and 5 in. thick at edges; web, 5 in. thick; and bottom flange, 12 in. wide and 4 in. thick at its edges. The beam, F-40, was reinforced with 48 wires, in four cables of twelve 0.192-in. dia wires, having an ultimate strength of 230,000 psi. The cables were grouted in a 1-in. flexible steel conduit. Test loads were applied at approximate one-third points. Between load points $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. mild steel reinforcement was spaced on 12-in. centers, and six $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. longitudinal bars of mild steel were placed in the top and bottom of the beam. The beam was designed to carry 15,000 lb at each load point, based on 5,000 psi concrete and 120,000 psi stress in the prestress wires after relaxation. Under test first hair-cracks appeared at 70,000 lb, and the break came at a load in excess of 117,000 lb and a deflection of over 4 in.

Tested to destruction also was a 60-ft girder, F-60, having a modified T-section. The girder was also designed by the Freyssinet Co. At mid-span the girder was 40 in. deep; its top flange was 30 in. wide and 5 in. thick; and its web 6 in. thick widened to 12 in. for the bottom 7 in. Reinforcement consisted of 96 0.192-in.-dia, 210,000-psi wires, in eight cables of twelve wires each. Between the load points, $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. mild-steel stirrups were placed on 12-in. centers, and



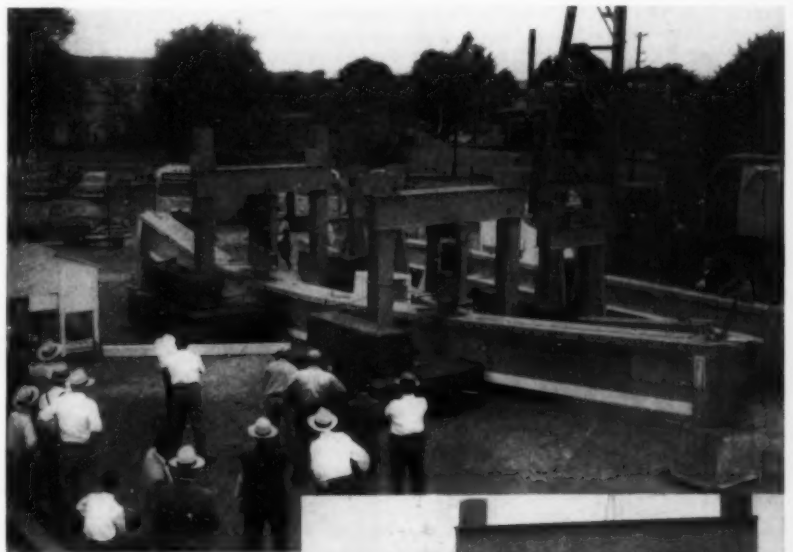
TENSION IS BEING APPLIED TO 40-ft concrete I-beam in left-hand photo. Twelve 0.192-in.-dia wires, forming each of four cables, are tensioned and anchored simultaneously. Watching operation are R. M. Dubois, president of Freyssinet Co., Inc. (left); A. T. Waidelich, M. ASCE, vice-president and manager of research of the Austin Co. (center); and Niels Thorsen, Freyssinet engineer. First hair cracks appeared at 70,000 lb and rupture (photo at right) came under load of over 117,000 lb when deflection measured over 4 in.

four $\frac{3}{8}$ -in.-dia and eight $\frac{1}{4}$ -in.-dia longitudinal bars were placed—six in the top and six in the bottom of the beam.

Girder F-60 was designed for a load of 50,000 lb—25,000 lb at each load point—based on 5,000-psi concrete and 120,000-psi in the wires after relaxation. Under test this girder broke under a load of 200,000 lb when the concrete under one of the jacks which was applying the load crushed

enough top-flange concrete to cause failure.

The Austin Company's research program is under the guidance of J. K. Gannett, M. ASCE, vice-president and director of engineering and research. Mr. Gannett presented detailed results of the tests and preliminary conclusions in a paper presented at the First U. S. Conference on Prestressed Concrete held at MIT on August 14-16, mentioned elsewhere in this issue.



IN INSET, 60-ft T-section girder, 40 in. deep, is prestressed with 96 0.192-in. 230,000-psi wires stressed to 120,000 psi after relaxation. Designed to carry 50,000 lb, girder supported 200,000 lb at failure.



Near's COLUMN

R. Robinson Rowe, M. ASCE

"It's up to you tonite, Cal. Joe Kerr is on a vacation, the coward! Guest Professor Othernut wrote me, 'Still sick in bed with a doctor. Hoping you are the same, LXXX, /s/ Anne.' So how far did the business end of Paul Bunyan's toothpick overhang the rear axle to minimize bending stress?"

"Just 100 ft," answered Cal Klater.

"Make him prove it," demanded Ken Bridgewater. "My 13 pages of equations got me nowhere. It really was a dilly."

"Then I'll outline mine," said Cal. "The sketch shows the conical toothpick on two axle supports and a graph of the bending stress in the extreme bottom fiber. We must find the overhang x if $f_x = f_y = -f_z$. Pitch and weight will cancel out, so for U we can let the section modulus $S_x = q^{-1}u^3$ and the weight to the left $W_x = \rho u^3$. Then, for the middle span:

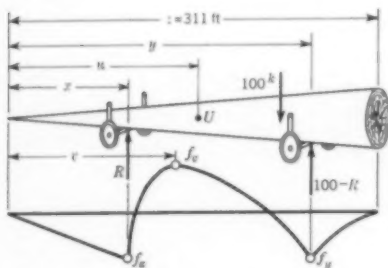


FIG. 1. To minimize stress in Paul Bunyan's toothpick, $x = 100$ ft made $f_x = f_y = -f_z$

Materials Found Major Cost in Water and Sewer Works

Materials constitute approximately 40 to 50 percent and labor slightly more than 30 percent of the cost of building new water and sewer systems, according to a joint survey conducted by the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Public Health Service. Engineers' reports on 200 projects built in 1948, 1949, and 1950 provide the basis for a distribution of expenditures per million construction dollars, for the labor, materials, and supplies needed to build these projects, and for overhead,

$$R = \rho z^2(4y - 3z)/(y - x) \quad (1)$$

$$V_x = R - 4\rho u^3 \quad (2)$$

$$M_x = R(u - x) - \rho u^4 \quad (3)$$

$$f_x = \rho q \left[\frac{z^2(u - x)}{u^3(y - x)} (4y - 3z) - u \right] \quad (4)$$

When we equate f_x and f_y :

$$- \rho q x = \rho q [z^2 y^{-3}(4y - 3z) - y] \quad (5)$$

$$z^2(4y - 3z) = y^3(y - x), \text{ making } \quad (6)$$

$$f_x = \rho q [y^3 u^{-3}(u - x) - u] \quad (7)$$

$$f_x = \rho q [y^3(-2u^{-3} + 3xu^{-4}) - 1] \quad (8)$$

Which is zero when $u = v$, so

$$y^3 = v^4/(3x - 2v) \quad (9)$$

Substituting in (7) and equating to $-f_z$:

$$f_z = \rho q (3v^3 - 4vx)/(3x - 2v) = \rho q x \quad (10)$$

$$3v^3 - 2xv - 3x^2 = 0 \quad (11)$$

$$3v = x(1 + \sqrt{10}) \quad (12)$$

"You make it look so utterly simple," interrupted Ken. "Next, I suppose, you substitute (12) in (9) and then in (6) to get an equation in just x and z ."

"Right, and since $z = 311$, it leads to:

$$y = 2.5436484x \quad (13)$$

$$x^4 - 12,047,000x + 1,104,700,000 = 0 \quad (14)$$

so that $x = 100$ ft, as nearly as I could figure."

"Near enuf, Cal," conceded the Professor. "Anne and I couldn't set this one in integers, but we did pretty well. More precisely, $x = 99.99972$."

"For next time, Guest Professor Sauer Doe has contrived a hare-raising problem. Let's let him tell it."

"The hare, Noah, was named Aaron. He was idly browsing in the southeast corner of a square 10-acre field when he spied two hounds, Bugler and Caesar, in the northeast and northwest corners. He set out at top speed for his hole in the southwest corner, but at the same instant the hounds spied the hare and started the chase, running always directly toward him at 40 ft per sec. It was a 3-cornered race with Aaron losing ignominiously to both hounds at once. How far was he from his hole, and how much faster should he have run to make it?"

[Cal Klater's were: Flo Ridan (Charles G. Edson), H. Francis Finch and Julian Hinds. Guest Professors Othernut and Doe are J. Charles Rathbun and Marvin A. Larson.]

Top Engineering Posts Are Open in San Diego

Forthcoming examinations for the positions of Public Works Director and Chief Inspector of Buildings for the City of San Diego are announced by Raymond Krah, personnel director for the city. Salaries range from \$866 to \$1,052 a month for the post of Public Works Director, and from \$679 to \$825 for Chief Building Inspector.

Written applications to take the examinations must reach the Civil Service Office, Room 453, Civic Center, San Diego, Calif., by 4:30 p.m., September 14, 1951. The applications must give full details of training and experience and may include exhibits of plans or programs, which the applicant has personally developed or directed. Proof of United States citizenship and a transcript or other evidence of the applicant's engineering school record will be required before final selection is made.

National Water Policy Studied at AWWA Meeting

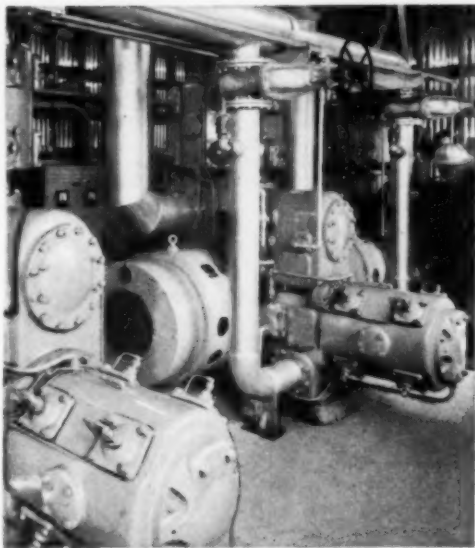
Discussion of the National Water Policy constituted a highlight of the recent 71st annual meeting of the American Water Works Association held in Miami, Fla. The findings of the President's Water Resources Policy Commission, recently made available to the public in a three volume report, were reviewed in a general session devoted to the subject by Samuel B. Morris, M. ASCE, member of the Commission.

The report of the President's Commission was criticized as "at variance with sound engineering practice" by Abel Wolman, M. ASCE, who spoke in the dual capacity of chairman of the Coordinating Committee of the Engineers Joint Council Water Panel and chairman of the AWWA Committee on Water Policy. What the objectives of a sound National Water Policy should be were discussed by Malcolm Pirnie, Past-President ASCE and consulting engineer of New York City. He emphasized that water is the one natural resource that cannot be preserved by reduced use, and endorsed stream basin compacts as "the highest level for determination of the need for water projects and economic considerations."

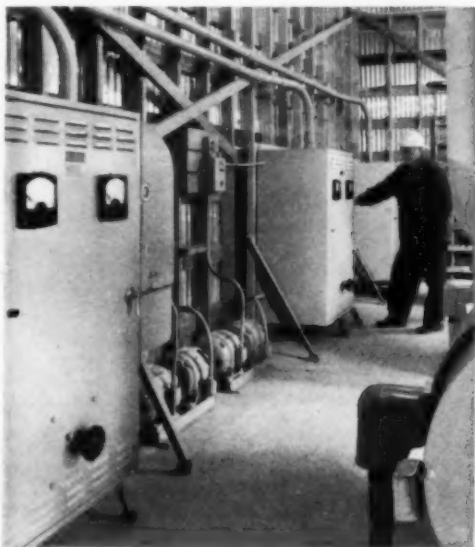
The many sessions constituting the largest convention in the history of the organization included a program on "Water Supply Development in Latin America." In this session engineers from Chile, Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, and Venezuela presented papers on water projects and problems south of the border. During a session of the Water Resources Division, Miami's principal problem of salt-water intrusion was discussed in a paper of much local interest by G. G. Parker, senior geologist, USGS.

AWWA officers for the coming year are A. E. Berry, president; Charles H. Carpenter, M. ASCE, vice-president; Harry E. Jordan, Affiliate ASCE, secretary; and William W. Brush, M. ASCE, treasurer.

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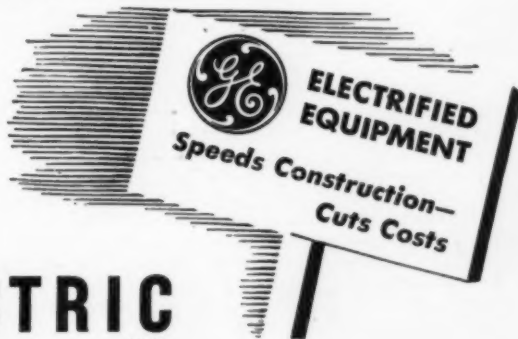
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NEW IN EDUCATION

A contract for research on multi-story apartment building construction has been awarded to Illinois Institute of Technology by the Housing and Home Finance Agency, according to a joint announcement from the two organizations. An immediate objective of the project is the development of building methods that will make possible the construction of multi-family dwellings at savings in costs and in the use of manpower and critical materials through the adaptation and application of advanced developments in materials, use of space, structural and mechanical design, assembly and installation of equipment. The work will be done by the Institute's civil engineering department under the direction of Elmer I. Fiesenhiser, M. ASCE, associate professor of civil engineering.

Establishment of a \$2,500 scholarship fund for outstanding engineering seniors at Rutgers University is announced jointly today by the university and the New Jersey Utilities Association. In order to qualify for the utilities scholarship, which carries an annual stipend of \$500 a year, the nominee must be a resident of New Jersey and have received his secondary schooling in the state, have an outstanding scholastic record during his first five semesters at Rutgers, and must show promise of worthwhile achievement. Fifty-four public utilities in New Jersey form the New Jersey Utilities Association, which was established in 1916.

Graduate and undergraduate evening courses in engineering will be offered this fall by the City College of New York. One group of courses will offer review and preparation for the New York State Professional Engineer's License Examination. Subjects to be covered include structural planning and design, general engineering and engineering economics. Courses in building construction will cover plan reading and estimating, elementary structural design, architectural drawing, applied building construction design, use of surveying instruments, construction and superintendence, and air conditioning. Descriptive folders may be obtained from Prof. W. L. Willig, City College School of Technology, New York City 31.

On October 6, Norwich University will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the graduation of Maj. Gen. Grenville Mellen Dodge, Honorary Member of ASCE and pioneer in the building and development of some 34 railroads west of the Mississippi. A central feature of the celebration, which will also commemorate completion of 132 years of civil engineering teaching at Norwich, will be a railroad pageant.

To help provide trained personnel in the field of sanitation, Ohio State University

will initiate a new curriculum in sanitary engineering, starting this autumn. Developed as an option in civil engineering, the course will lead to a bachelor's degree in that field, or to the combined bachelor of civil engineering and master of science degrees upon completion of five years of study. Among the specialized courses, which begin in the third year, are sanitary bacteriology, environmental sanitation, advanced hydraulics, water- and sewage-treatment plant design, and industrial waste treatment. A recently completed sanitary engineering laboratory will serve as the workshop for students and faculty members interested in special problems and research in the field of sanitation.

A plan for liberal education in engineering has been announced by the colleges of liberal arts at the University of Mississippi and Millsaps College, and the university School of Engineering. A student interested in engineering will have the opportunity to study three years at one of the cooperating liberal arts colleges and two years at the School of Engineering. Completion of the five-year program will result in appropriate bachelor's degrees from both institutions.

A two-month training program in topographic mapping, conducted by the U.S. Geological Survey at Clemson College, has come to an end with 36 men receiving degrees. The course, first of its kind, featured intensive instruction in field work for map-making processes.

Dedication of a new laboratory and office building of the State Water Survey Division of the Illinois Department of Registration and Education will take place on the campus of the University of Illinois, October 1 through 3. At this time a conference on water resources, embracing hydrology, treatment, and radar-weather relationships, will be held. Address inquiries to the Dedication Conference Chairman, State Water Survey, Box 232, Urbana, Ill.

Ohio State University recently established an Institute of Geodesy, Photogrammetry and Cartography. Organized specifically to give an integrated program of undergraduate and graduate instruction in the field, and to initiate and encourage research at the graduate and professional levels, the curriculum is being offered to qualified students at the beginning of the autumn quarter, October 2, 1951. Further information can be obtained from the Executive Director, Institute of Geodesy, Photogrammetry and Cartography, Ohio State University, 309 Administration Building, Columbus 10, Ohio.

Southern industrial development will be greatly assisted with an expanded program of graduate instruction in fluid mechanics and hydraulic engineering that will start in September 1951 at the Georgia Institute of Technology, according to an announcement from Prof. R. E. Stiemke, Assoc. M. ASCE, director of the School of Civil Engineering. Those completing the new course will be awarded the degree of Master of Science in Civil Engineering. Prof. C. E. Kindsvater, Assoc. M. ASCE, will be in charge of the expanded graduate training and research activities.

The Army Corps of Engineers has contracted with the Kansas State College Engineering Experiment Station for a study of metal mats for landing fields. The research, to be done specifically for the Waterways Experiment Station of the Corps, Vicksburg, Miss., is a continuation of work being carried on at the college Experiment Station for the past few years. Important technical advances in design of pavements for airports have already resulted from the research. The new work will be directed by Dr. Gerald Pickett of the department of applied mechanics with the cooperation of Prof. Charles Scholer, department head.

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DECEASED

Former Society Director, Richard S. Buck, Dies

Richard Sutton Buck (M. '98) former ASCE Director and retired civil engineer and bridge authority of Washington, D.C., died on August 1, at the age of 86. As chief engineer of the New York City Department of Bridges, Mr. Buck designed the Manhattan Bridge and played an important role in the design of the Williamsburg and Queensboro bridges. He also designed and supervised construction of the Queenston Suspension Highway



Richard S. Buck

Arch and the Grand Trunk Railway Arch bridges connecting Canada and the United States over the Niagara River, receiving the Society's Thomas Fitch Rowland Prize for his paper on the design of the Grand Trunk Bridge. As a partner in the New York City firm of Sanderson & Porter, he served as general manager of construction for the original Stanislaus River Power Development in California from 1907 to 1912. He was a major in World War I, receiving the British D.S.O. for his services. Mr. Buck had lived in Washington since 1933, when he was appointed to the technical board of review for PWA projects. He was a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

general manager of the Sewerage Commission of Milwaukee. Of recent years he had practiced engineering at Pinchurst, N.C. Active in Society affairs, Mr. Ferebee served as Director from 1936 to 1938 and Vice-President, in 1939 and 1940.

Richard Hamilton Boyles (M. '40) manager for the Fox Chapel Authority, at Pittsburgh, Pa., died recently. He was 49. Upon his graduation from Tri-State College in 1924, Mr. Boyles entered the employ of the Edeburn-Cooper Co. He then worked for various industrial firms and planning and highway departments in New York and Pennsylvania. In 1937 he joined the Fox Chapel Authority, for which he constructed 38 miles of water mains, a filter plant, and other improvements.

William Cantrell Curd (M. '17) since 1947 engineer and railroad specialist for the Chicago Plan Commission, Chicago, Ill., died there on July 20. His age was 71. From 1943 to 1945 Mr. Curd was in charge of the New York office of the American Association of Railroads. Earlier he had been vice-president of the Briggs Construction Co., of Akron, Ohio, and for several years was with the Missouri Pacific Railroad in St. Louis. He was a Purdue University graduate.

Elmer Newton Dunn (Assoc. M. '47) division construction engineer for the Montana State Highway Department, at Lewistown, Mont., died there on May 9, at the age of 45. With the exception of three years (1942-1945) as engineer for the contracting firm of Peter Kiewit Sons' Co., at Sheridan, Wyo., Mr. Dunn had spent his

career with the Montana Highway Department in various engineering capacities.

William Earle Elam (M. '17) chief engineer for the Board of Mississippi Levee Commissioners, at Greenville, Miss., died on June 16. He was 68. Mr. Elam was engaged by the Mississippi Levee Board for 45 years, serving as chief engineer from 1946 until the time of his death. He suggested the "cut-off plan" of flood control for the Mississippi River. In 1938 he was president of the Mid-South Section of the Society. He received his training at the University of Texas.

Ellis Alexander Frink (M. '01) retired civil engineer of Washington, D.C., died there on July 11, at the age of 89. Mr. Frink had been bridge engineer and principal assistant engineer for the Seaboard Air Line Railway Co., at Portsmouth and Norfolk, Va., for over 40 years, retiring in 1938. Earlier he was engaged as chief engineer and general manager by the Structural Iron Co., of Baltimore, Md., and practiced engineering under the name of Frink & Hazen.

Elmer Woodson Hopkins (M. '39) since 1946 sanitary engineer for the Mission Township Main Sewer District of Johnson County, Kansas, died on June 29. His age was 58. Before going to Kansas in 1923, Mr. Hopkins was engineer for Henderson County, Kentucky. He was connected with Black & Veatch from 1923 to 1936, and later was city engineer for Salina, Kans. He was educated at the University of Kentucky.

William Coyt Jackson (Assoc. M. '42) partner in the Tucumcari Engineering Co.

Former ASCE Officer, James L. Ferebee, Dies

James Lumsden Ferebee (M. '19) consulting engineer of Pinchurst, N.C., died there on August 5, at the age of 70. He



James L. Ferebee

was a graduate of North Carolina State College. Early in his career Mr. Ferebee was employed as assistant engineer for the Durham & Charlotte Railroad; assistant city engineer for Wilmington, Del.; and engineer for Atlantic City, N.J. Subsequently, he became principal assistant engineer for the Milwaukee and Metropolitan Sewerage Commissions; commissioner of public works for West Allis, Wis.; and chief engineer and

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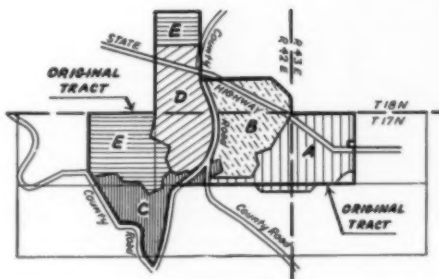
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"Here, to approximate contour farming, farmers have traded land back and forth, eliminating steep slopes and hard pulls. As a rule, no records are kept, causing problems when old-timers pass on. Heirs usually specify that a tract be divided to 'farm right'—meaning lines must run up valleys, over saddles between hills, and provide a spring and building site for each.

"Recently I had to divide 1,000 acres among five girls in this manner. The land lay in four townships, two ranges and six sections; was cut by a state highway and four county roads. The highway and one road had been relocated; and there were two unrecorded property exchanges for convenience in farming.

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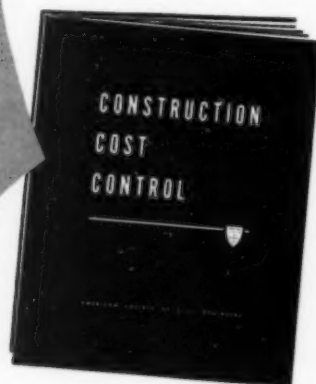
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Tucumcari, N. Mex., died on February 20, 1949, though notice of his death has just reached Society Headquarters. He was 41 and a graduate of New Mexico A. & M. State College. Earlier in his career Mr. Jackson had worked for the city engineer of Portales, N. Mex.; the Shell Geophysical Survey Party, at Portales; and the Texas and New Mexico state highway departments.

Herbert Tolfree Knapp (M. '47) head of his own engineering concern in Memphis, Tenn., died on April 12. He was 38. Mr. Knapp had been junior engineer in the public works department at the U.S. Navy Yard, Portsmouth, N.H.; graduate research assistant on the Joint Highway Research Project at Purdue University; field engineer for the Dravo Corp., at Pittsburgh, Pa.; and instructor in civil engineering at Purdue. From 1943 to 1946 he served as an officer in the U.S. Navy Civil Engineer Corps. He then became engineer for the Weston Corp., and a short time later established the firm of Herbert T. Knapp & Associates, Engineers. He received his degrees from New Hampshire and Purdue universities.

Robert Walker Lemen (Assoc. M. '12) since 1931 president of Oregon Motor Stages, at Portland, Oreg., died on January 2, at the age of 70. At the start of his career Mr. Lemen was engaged by the Baltimore & Ohio and the Antofagasta, Chile & Bolivia railways. He later worked for various stage lines in Washington, California, and Oregon.

William Jacob Mozart (M. '11) retired engineer of Los Angeles, Calif., died on July 26, at the age of 96. A specialist in river and harbor work, hydraulic power plant construction, and railroad engineering, Mr. Mozart acted as engineer and consultant to many organizations in the United States, Mexico, and foreign countries, including the Ambursen Construction Co., the Chihuahua & Pacific Railway, and Cebu, P. I.

Don Hull McCreery (M. '43) director of engineering for Holmes & Narver, Inc., of Los Angeles, Calif., died suddenly in June.



He was 51. Mr. McCreery had been connected with Quinton Engineers, Ltd. for several years and until recently was president of the concern. Prior to that he was senior office engineer and chief engineer for Leeds, Hill, Barnard & Jewett. He also

Don Hull McCreery engaged in private practice. Active in the affairs of the Society's Los Angeles Section, he served as treasurer (1938-1939), vice-president (1941), and president (1944), and was chairman of various Section committees, including the Program Committee. He received his training at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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offices in Burlington, Vt., died there some time in May. He was 67. Mr. Overocker's experience included work as assistant engineer for G. H. Gifford; engineer-draftsman on the New York State Barge Canal Project; and assistant engineer in the Office of the New York State Engineer. Later he engaged in contracting. He received his training at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Dean Peabody, Jr. (M. '35) professor of architecture in the Harvard University Graduate School of Design, died on August 7, at the age of 63. He was graduated from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1910 and was a member of its faculty for more than 35 years. In 1946 he became visiting lecturer at Harvard and in 1947 professor of architecture. A pioneer in concrete for buildings, he was author of *Design of Reinforced Concrete Structures*.

Roland Decker Pierson (M. '51) regional engineer for the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe Railway Co., at Los Angeles, Calif., died on May 29. His age was 63. Except for a two-year period in service with the U.S. Army Engineers, Mr. Pierson had been connected with the A.T. & S.F. Railway for nearly 40 years, becoming regional engineer in 1942.

Gerald Francis Ramirez (Assoc. M. '45) structural designer for Burns & Roe, Inc., New York, N.Y., died on November 30, 1950, according to word recently received at Headquarters. He was 46 and a graduate of the College of the City of New York. Mr. Ramirez had been with George Beckwith, contractor of Gilroy, Calif., the Brooklyn Bureau of Sewers, the Army Corps of Engineers, and the Otis Elevator Co.

Alvin Christian Rasmussen (M. '22) consulting engineer of Indianapolis, Ind., died there on June 13. His age was 61. Mr. Rasmussen began his career with the James W. Insley Manufacturing Co., serving successively as draftsman, chief draftsman, chief engineer, and vice-president. Then he became a major in the Ordnance Reserve of the Army, retiring with the rank of colonel in 1946. At that time he established his consulting practice. He was educated at Rose Polytechnic Institute.

Henry George Reitz (M. '19) engineer of Cleveland, Ohio, died on July 6, at the age of 68. From 1906 to 1917 Mr. Reitz was associated with the city of Cleveland in various capacities. He then became city engineer of West Park, Ohio, and later president of the Henry G. Reitz Engineering Co. He received his degrees from the Case School of Applied Science.

Paul Schultze (M. '01) for several years special representative for the Nazareth Cement Co. in New York City, died on May 11, at the age of 65. Mr. Schultze had been engineer for Utica, and Oneida County, New York, and city engineer of Troy, N.Y. In 1915 he became Deputy State Highway Commissioner of New York, serving in that capacity for about 20 years. He was a Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute graduate.

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sion, at Charleston, W. Va., died on April 10. He was 60. In recent years Mr. Smith served as chief engineer for the State Road Commission of West Virginia, a member of the state legislature, and engaged in private practice. He was a graduate of the University of Virginia.

Archibald McClure Strong (Assoc. M. '08) Los Angeles, Calif., consultant, died on July 14, at the age of 75. Mr. Strong practiced hydraulic and mining engineering in Los Angeles for over 40 years. From 1904 to 1910 he was city engineer for Bishop, Calif., and earlier was surveyor for several counties in California. He graduated from Stanford University.

William Garnett Waggener (Jun. M. '47) engineer for the Phillips Petroleum Co., at Old Ocean, Tex., died on March 31. He was 28. Mr. Waggener received his civil engineering degree from the Texas A. & M. College.

Bertrand Hinman Wait (M. '18) president of the Wait Associates, Inc., New York City, died at his home in New Rochelle, N.Y., on July 20, at the age of 71. Mr. Wait organized his own engineering firm in 1935 and had specialized in highway and building construction. Before that he was eastern manager for the Portland Cement Association and district engineer for the New York State Department of Public Works. He graduated from Cornell University.

Edward Beaumont Wardle (M. '10) since 1945 consulting engineer for the Consolidated Paper Corp., Ltd., of Montreal, Canada, died at his home in Meriden, Conn., on July 11, at the age of 77. Upon his graduation from Dartmouth College in 1889, Mr. Wardle entered the employ of Tower & Wallace of New York City. He worked for Geo. F. Hardy, consulting engineer of New York from 1902 to 1914, and was chief engineer for the Laurentide Co.

Meetings and Conferences

American Institute of Chemical Engineers. Technical sessions, inspection trips, and social events are scheduled for the American Institute of Chemical Engineers meeting at the Sheraton Hotel, in Rochester, N.Y., September 16-19.

American Public Works Association. Civil defense and safety affecting public works will be discussed at the public works congress and equipment show, sponsored by the American Public Works Association, in the Veterans' Memorial Building, Detroit, Mich., September 16-19.

American Society of Mechanical Engineers. The fall meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers will take place at the Hotel Radisson, in Minneapolis, Minn., September 26-28.

American Society of Sanitary Engineering. The 45th annual meeting of the American Society of Sanitary Engineering will be held at the Hotel Statler in Detroit, Mich., September 16-21.

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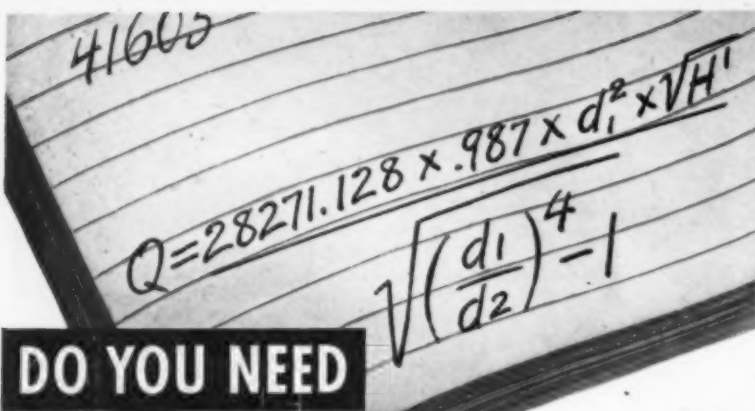
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Federation of Sewage and Industrial Waste Associations. The 24th annual meeting of the Federation of Sewage and Industrial Wastes Associations is scheduled for St. Paul, Minn., October 8-11.

Forest Products Research Society. The Midwest section meeting of the Forest Products Research Society will take place at Oshkosh, Wis., September 19-21.

Instrument Society of America. Latest advances in instruments will be discussed at the sixth annual conference and exhibit of the Instrument Society of America in the Sam Houston Coliseum, Houston, Tex., September 10-14.

Institute of Traffic Engineers. The 22nd convention of the Institute of Traffic Engineers is scheduled for Los Angeles, Calif., September 23-27.

National Safety Congress and Exposition. The 39th National Safety Congress and Exposition is to be held in Chicago, Ill., October 8-12.

Pacific Coast Building Officials Conference. Headquarters for the Pacific Coast Building Officials Conference will be the Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, September 18-21.

Second Conference on Industrial Experimentation. Sponsored by the Department of Industrial Engineering of Columbia University, the Second Conference on Industrial Experimentation will be held on the campus from September 17-21.

World Metallurgical Congress. Conservation and utilization of metal resources will be the topics of discussion at the World Metallurgical Congress, which will be conducted by the American Society for Metals in Detroit, Mich., October 14-19.

NEWS OF ENGINEERS

Joseph I. Gurfein, air officer for the G-3 (plans and operations) section of the X Corps in Korea, has been elevated to the rank of lieutenant colonel in recognition of his "outstanding performance of duty with the X Corps since the Inchon invasion last September." Colonel Gurfein coordinates the air support of the X Corps' ground units along the central Korean front.

E. D. Dryfoose, previously engineer of road plans for the Illinois State Division of Highways, at Springfield, has been made traveling engineer in the Bureau of Design.

David S. Winick is now employed in the engineering department of the Parco Design Corp., with offices in New York City. Formerly he was associated with the Nervsink Division of the New York City Board of Water Supply and Consultants & Designers, Inc., of New York.

E. I. Fieseneheiser has been promoted from the position of associate professor of civil engineering at Illinois Institute of Technology to the rank of professor.

Albert J. Ryan, lieutenant colonel, Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army, has been made commanding officer of the 307th Airborne Engineer Battalion, 82nd Airborne Division. Previously Colonel Ryan was executive officer for the battalion.

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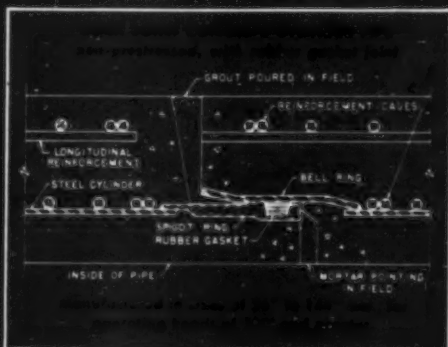
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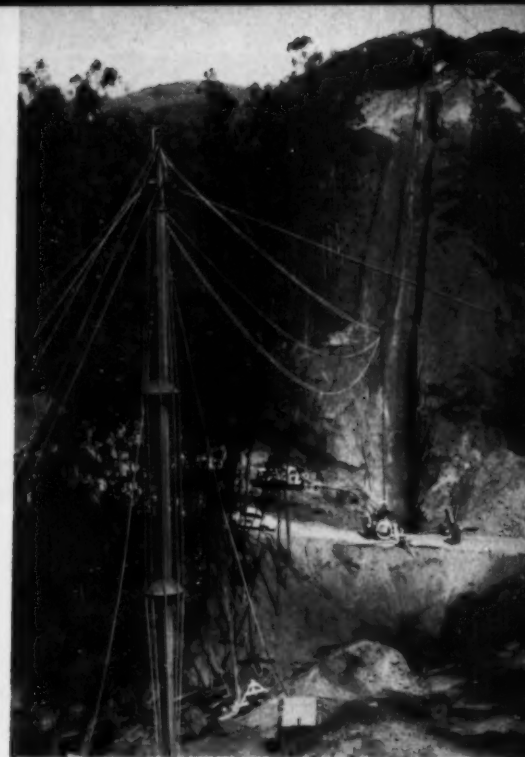
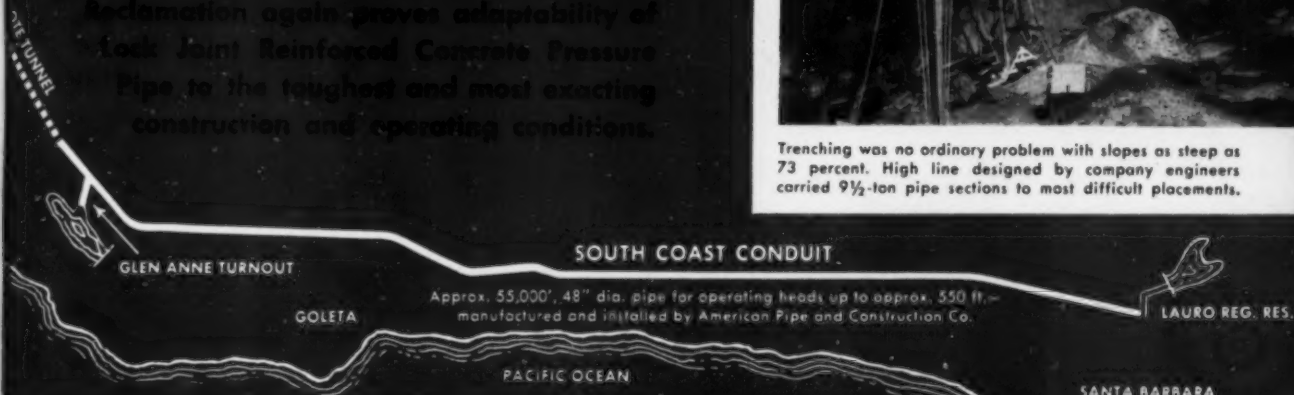
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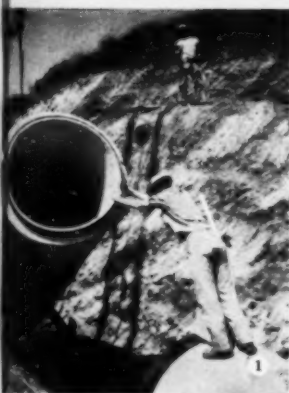
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Howard J. Hansen, until recently head of the structures research department at the U.S. Naval Civil Engineering Laboratory, Port Hueneme, Calif., is now principal engineer for the New Orleans, La., consulting firm of G. H. Heft & Co.

Claude Inglis is now director of the Hydraulics Research Station of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Hydraulics Research Organization, at Howbery Park, Wallingford, Berkshire, England.

Everett L. Clark, consulting engineer of Los Angeles, Calif., announces that his office has been moved from the Cairns Building to 1004 A. G. Bartlett Building, 215 West Seventh Street, of that city. He specializes in civil and hydraulic engineering.

William J. Homan has accepted appointment to the post of chief of the public works division in the public services department of the United States Civil Administration of the Ryukyus Islands. Since 1948 Mr. Homan has served as an Army civilian employee at the Okinawa Engineering District.

T. R. Smith, engineer for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, at Great Falls, Mont., has gone to Formosa to head irrigation activities under the ECA program there.

Walter E. Hanson is now bridge engineer for the Illinois State Highway Department, with headquarters at Springfield. Formerly he was associate professor of civil engineering at the University of Illinois.

Alfred T. Glassett, president of the W. J. Barney Corp., New York City, has been elected president of the Alumni Association of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Morris M. Cohn was elected chairman of the New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission at its recent annual meeting in Chicopee, Mass. He is public health engineer of Schenectady, N. Y.

George F. Burch has resigned as engineer of bridge and traffic structures for the Illinois State Division of Highways, at Springfield, after 42 years of state service. L. E. Philbrook, assistant bridge engineer, has been named acting bridge engineer there.

D. M. Forester, construction engineer for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, at Lemmon, S. Dak., has been appointed district engineer for the Bureau's Yellowstone District. Formerly Mr. Forester was in charge of all power transmission line construction in South Dakota.

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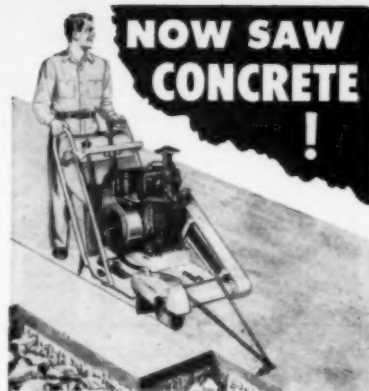
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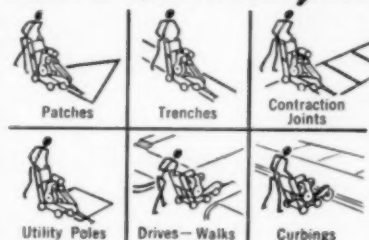
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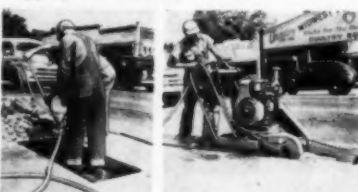
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H. G. Baity, professor of sanitary engineering in the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina, has been named to the advisory panel of the World Health Organization.

Maurice L. Brashears, Jr., district geologist in the Ground Water Branch, Water Resources Division of the U.S. Geological Survey, at Mineola, N. Y., has returned to his position there after serving as an expert on water supply to the Supreme Commander of the Allied Forces in the Pacific and to the Japanese government.

Ernest F. Brater has been advanced to the rank of professor of hydraulic engineering at the University of Michigan.

Marvin L. Brown, first lieutenant, Department of the Army, Fayetteville, Ark., has been assigned to Mather Air Force Base, Calif.

R. G. Tyler, professor of sanitary engineering at the University of Washington, has been appointed a member of the public health unit of the United Nations Medical Teaching Mission to Israel. During July and August Professor Tyler visited water-ozoneation plants in England and France and met with other scientists at the World Health Organization's headquarters in Geneva, Switzerland, for briefing on the Israel mission.

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CIVIL ENGINEER: M. ASCE; B.C.E.; age 27; designer, field or office engineer; 1 1/4 years as structural engineer on design and detail of reinforced concrete beams, footings, water conduit, etc., also structural steel for substations; 4 months as construction management engineer, checking drawings, concrete cooling, preparing specifications. C-690-153-Chicago.

CIVIL ENGINEER: JUD. M. ASCE; 30; married; B.S. in C.E., some graduate work; 3 years Navy CEC; one semester instructor in engineering mechanics; 4 1/2 years Bureau of Reclamation; 3 years designing canal structures; 1 1/2 years in district office on varied preconstruction work. Prefers job with consulting firm in central United States. C-691-154-Chicago.

CIVIL ENGINEER: JUD. M. ASCE; 26; married; veteran; B.E., Yale University, 1940; E.I.T.; over a year of varied highway and bridge experience. Layout and supervision of grading and structure construction for the State of California. Short time in subdivision engineering office. Desires permanent position East or foreign in construction engineering. C-692-517-A-11-San Francisco.

PATENT ENGINEER: JUD. M. ASCE; for patent, or related position; B.S. in E.E., Union College, 1948; L.L.B., Harvard University, 1951; formerly patent examiner, multiplex telegraphy and automatic signalling systems, United States Patent Office; other patent experience with R.C.A. Patent Research Department; details forwarded upon request. C-693.

STRUCTURAL DESIGNER: JUD. M. ASCE; 26, married; B.S.C.E., 5 1/2 years' experience as architectural and structural designer, all types of buildings from residences to industrial structures. Desires responsible position in architecture, engineering, or construction. Locate anywhere. C-694.

CIVIL ENGINEER: M. ASCE; registered New York State, 40; married; over 25 years' experience in design and construction of large industrial plants and commercial buildings, and in aggregates production and transit-mixed concrete. Extensive knowledge of specifications, contracts and purchasing. C-695.

CIVIL ENGINEER: Assoc. M. ASCE; 33; married; licensed professional engineer; 9 years' experience in structural design, water supply and sanitary design; preparation of specifications and administrative experience as head of design section. Desires association with consulting engineer or architect, or position with general contractor. C-696-5012-A-4-San Francisco.

CIVIL ENGINEER: M. ASCE; 36; civil graduate with 14 years' experience in design, specifications, estimating, planning and construction of permanent airfields, roads; sewer, water and drainage systems and housing; 4 years in Guam, Okinawa, Philippines and Japan. Top-level experience in administrative and liaison assignments. C-697.

CIVIL ENGINEER: JUD. M. ASCE; B. of C.E., June 1950; married; one year with Bureau of Reclamation (GS-7), on field and office irrigation surveys and design. Desires position in construction, structural or estimating work in central New York State. C-698.

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JOB ENGINEER, civil, who has had considerable experience on heavy construction for project which will include piers, powerhouse, railroad, etc. Possibility of taking family at later date. Salary, \$9,600-\$10,800 a year. Location, Chile, at sea level. Y-5755.

PLANT CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER, 35-40, civil graduate, with 5 to 10 years' experience in charge of construction installation and repair for process industry. Salary, \$6,000-\$7,000 a year. Location, central New Jersey. Y-5829.

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ENGINEERS. (a) Civil Engineer, 35-50, with field and design experience in water distribution and sewerage systems, to take charge of municipal project for American consulting firm. Salary, \$9,500-\$12,000 a year. (b) Assistant Civil Engineer, 26-35, with field or design experience in water works and sewerage field. Salary, \$7,200-\$9,600 a year plus quarters and subsistence. Location, West Africa. Y-5851.

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News of Engineers

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Charles E. Schaffner, since 1946 associate professor of civil engineering at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, has accepted appointment to the post of director of the evening session of the institute. A consultant on materials testing and stress analysis, Professor Schaffner is an expert examiner for the New York City Civil Service Commission. He succeeded **Cornelius Wandmacher**, who is now head of the University of Cincinnati Civil Engineering Department.



Charles E. Schaffner

John R. Noyes, for the past three years Commissioner of Roads for Alaska, at Juneau, has been assigned to duty at the New York Port of Embarkation in Brooklyn in connection with the supply of the American Forces in Europe. **A. F. Ghiglione**, who has been chief engineer for the Alaska Road Commission, has been designated acting Commissioner of Roads.

Martin J. Orbeck has been elevated to the rank of professor of mechanical and engineering drawing at the University of Michigan.

W. E. Ross recently resigned as city engineer for Richmond, Ind., in order to devote his entire time to duties as sewage disposal superintendent there. Previously he held both positions.

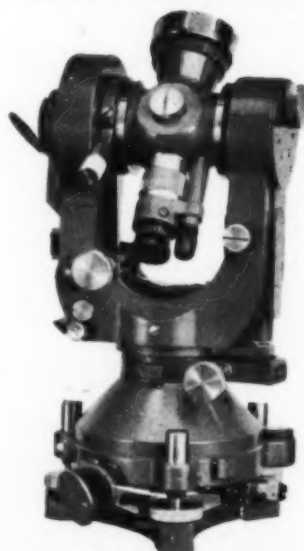
George E. Symons has resigned as managing editor of *Water & Sewage Works*, New York City, to establish his own consulting



George E. Symons

service, with headquarters in Larchmont, N. Y. He will specialize in plant and laboratory design, research, and operation problems in the field of water, sewage, and industrial waste treatment. Dr. Symons will serve as contributing editor for *Water & Sewage Works*, and will continue as consultant to B-I-F Industries of Providence, R.I.

Roland George Sturm, formerly professor of engineering mechanics and professor of materials at Purdue University, has been appointed director of the Auburn Research Foundation and director of the Engineering Experiment Station at Alabama Polytechnic Institute. He also acted as consultant to the Atomic Energy Commission.



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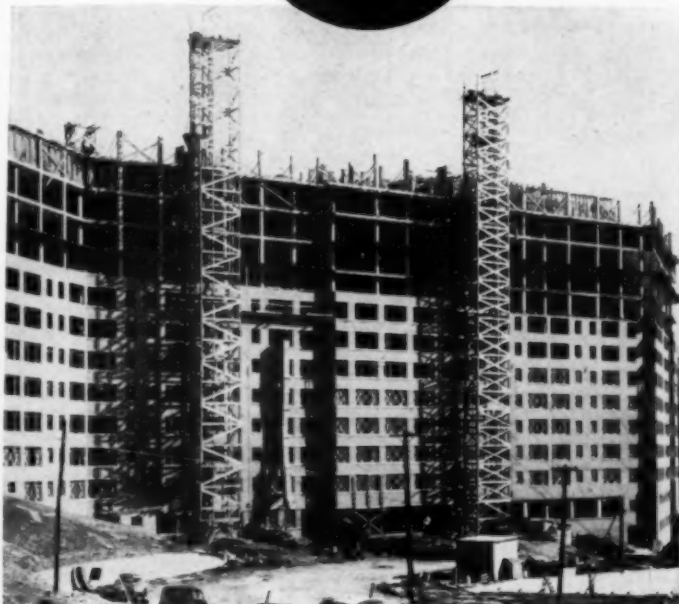


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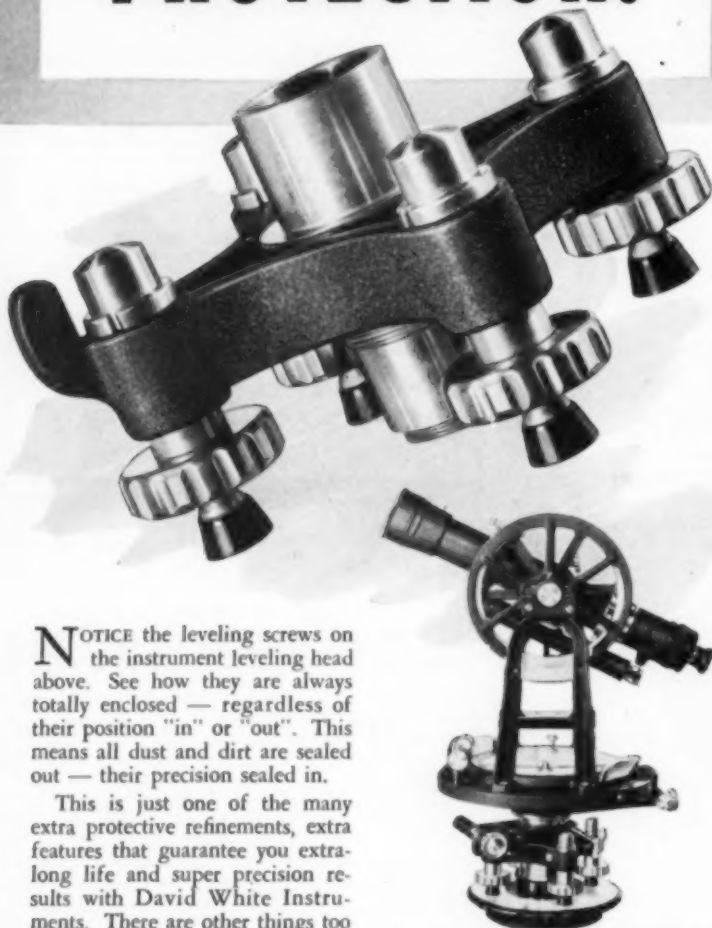
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for surveys of the United States.

Leo Max Legatski, previously assistant professor of civil engineering at the University of Michigan, has been appointed associate professor.

A. A. Lewis has been named acting regional engineer for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation's Southwestern Region, at Amarillo, Tex. Mr. Lewis has been in the Bureau's office at Amarillo since 1946.

W. L. Lowe-Brown has retired from his connection with the firm of Sir M. MacDonald & Partners, London, England. He expects to open his own office at 39 Victoria Street, in that city.

John C. Luthin is now manager and engineer of the Monterey Bay Water Co. and engaged in private practice as a consultant in water utility engineering and management, with headquarters at Santa Cruz, Calif. For the past five years he has been superintendent of the Santa Cruz Water Department.

John S. Macdonald, vice-president of the Walsh Construction Co., New York City, has been made president of the General Contractors Association.

Martin A. Mason, chief of the Engineering and Research Branch and chief engineer of the Army's Beach Erosion Board, has been named dean of the School of Engineering at George Washington University, Washington, D.C. Dean Mason received the Army's Exceptional Civilian Service Award in 1945 for his reports on landing beaches, which were used in planning amphibious operations in all theaters of operation.

Jack R. Barnes, formerly hydraulic engineer for the Ground Water Division of the U.S. Geological Survey at Plainview, Tex., is now a member of the firm of White, Guyton & Barnes, consulting ground-water hydrologists, with headquarters in Austin, Tex.

Robert S. Holmes, executive secretary of the Institute of Traffic Engineers, has been granted a one-year leave of absence to accept an assignment with the Federal Civil Defense Administration. He has been appointed deputy director of the Engineering Services Division and will assume general engineering and public works responsibilities, to include traffic engineering. Mr. Holmes has been executive secretary of the Institute of Traffic Engineers since 1947.

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Eyrolles, 61 Boulevard Saint-Germain, Paris, 1951, 345 pages, 2,500 frs.)

Construction with Moving Forms

In this volume L. E. Hunter considers the design and use of vertical slip forms for the construction of tall concrete bins, silos and other simple structures. The construction of forms, procedure for their use, description of the concrete plant used, reinforcement methods, and special applications are discussed. A special chapter is included on horizontally travelling forms for sewers, culverts, sea-walls, etc. Numerous illustrations accompany the text. (Concrete Publications, Ltd., 14 Dartmouth St., London, S. W. 1, 1951, 56 pages, \$1.75.)

Engineering and Western Civilization

This book by J. K. Finch outlines the history of engineering from the earliest beginnings, some fifty centuries ago, to modern times, noting and commenting upon the accompanying economic and social conditions and their relation to technological

development and progress. A conscious attempt is made to avoid technical details and to present the story in a suitable historical perspective. An extensive annotated bibliography is provided for those wishing further details. (McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, N.Y., 1951, 397 pages, \$3.)

Engineering Materials Manual

A collection of special sections originally published in the magazine, *Materials and Methods*, this book provides descriptive information and reference data on the engineering materials used in industry. Its 28 sections, edited by T. C. DuMond, cover such materials as iron, steel, stainless steel, aluminum, magnesium, copper alloys, plastics, rubber, ceramics, and several types of finishes and coatings. Two of the relatively new materials considered are beryllium copper and high-strength, low-alloy steels. (Reinhold Publishing Corp., New York, N.Y., 1951, 386 pages, \$4.50.)

Elementary Theory and Design of Flexural Members

In addition to discussing beam, slab and column design in general terms, *Elementary Theory and Design of Flexural Members*, by Jamison Vawter and James G. Clark, of the University of Illinois, deals with detailed designs of simple flexural members in steel and reinforced concrete. It is appropriate to use as an elementary textbook on design to follow courses in strength of materials and to precede the usual courses in building and bridge design. (John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 1950. 215 pages, \$4.)

Engineers of the Southwest Pacific 1941-1945, Volume VIII. Critique.

Reviewing the work of the Corps of Engineers, this volume is a compilation of conclusions, criticisms, and recommendations, presented in narrative form by campaign from the beginning to the end of World War II in the Southwest Pacific. Problems covered include engineer organization, administration, intelligence, amphibian and combat operations, construction, capacity and adequacy of personnel, training, and supply. Prepared by the Office of the Chief Engineer, Pacific. Reports of Operations, U.S. Army Forces in the Far East, 1950. 451 pages, \$5.75, for sale by Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C.

Guide to Geologic Literature

First book of its kind, *Guide to Geologic Literature*, by R. M. Pearl, covers the literature of the world in geologic and related fields, and provides a key to books, maps, abstracts, periodicals, indexes, bibliographies, government documents, newspaper articles, theses and other publications. It also provides information and advice on the use of libraries and the availability of special library services. An attempt is made to indicate availability and methods of finding desired material. (McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, Toronto, London. 1951. 239 pages, \$3.75.)

Highway Engineering

Intended for use as a text by junior and senior civil engineering students, *Highway Engineering*, by L. J. Ritter, Jr. and R. J. Paquette, surveys the whole field with emphasis on administration, economics, financing and planning. Starting with general factors, the book continues with design and the preparation of plans and contracts, soil engineering, construction methods, materials and maintenance. Special effort is made to reflect the best current thought in details of practice. (Ronald Press Co., New York, 1951. 721 pages, \$6.50.)

Laboratory Design

This National Research Council report on design, construction, and equipment of laboratories—edited by H. S. Coleman—presents authoritative up-to-date advice and essential data on laboratories for research and educational institutions and for the industries. An effort is made to indicate the constructional materials, facilities, services and equipment of both teaching and industrial laboratories. Concise descriptions are given of some modern laboratories. A selected bibliography is included. (Reinhold Publishing Corp., New York, 1951. 393 pages, \$12.)

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Presenting a selection of articles from *Factory Management and Maintenance*, this book provides 190 specific approaches to materials-handling problems. The articles are arranged in chapters according to where in the plant the problem exists. There are three indexes, listing kind of equipment used, kind of product handled, and company name. The editors are L. K. Urquhart and C. W. Boyce. (McGraw-Hill Book Co., New York, N.Y., 1951, 440 pages, \$8.)

(The) Prefabrication of Houses, a Study by the Albert Farwell Bemis Foundation of the Prefabrication Industry in the United States.

Combining the approach of the economist, architect, and engineer, this book, by B. Kelly, surveys the prefabrication industry. It covers its history and future possibilities, financial and managerial problems, design and production processes, and implications for the rest of the building industry. Numerous plates illustrate the techniques used by several of the large companies. Lists of companies in this field and an annotated bibliography are included in the appendix. (Published jointly by the Technology Press of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and John Wiley & Sons, New York; Chapman & Hall, Ltd., London, 1951. 466 pages, \$7.50.)

Strength of Materials

Strength of Materials, by F. L. Singer, is devoted to the analysis and design of members subjected to axial, torsional and flexural loads, and combinations of these basic types of loadings. Principles are developed by means of a consistent plan which first relates stresses to deformations, then applies the equations of static equilibrium, and finally satisfies the boundary conditions. Numerous illustrative problems show in detail how principles are applied, and there are problems for student solution. (Harper & Brothers, New York, 1951. 460 pages, \$5.)

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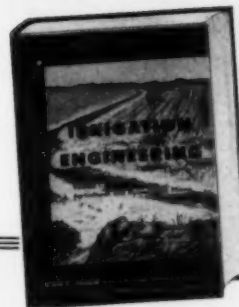
Sponsored by the Gas Turbine Panel of the ASTM-ASME Joint Committee on the Effect of Temperature on the Properties of Metals, this symposium—presented at the ASTM meeting in Atlantic City, N.J., on June 26, 1950—consists of eight papers and discussion. The behavior of materials in atmospheres from all the common fuels for mobile and stationary power generation is discussed. The engineering materials considered range from mild steel to ceramics with numerous superalloys in between. The role of protective coatings is also treated. (Published as Special Technical Publication No. 108 of the American Society for Testing Materials, 1916 Race St., Philadelphia 3, Pa., 1951. 121 pages, \$2.25.)

Toll Roads and the Problem of Highway Modernization

Concerned with highway economics and administration, this book, by W. Owen and C. L. Dearing, analyzes the advantages and disadvantages of the toll road; indicates the basic defects in state and federal policy which have led to its revival; and suggests changes in public policy that are necessary to restore the effectiveness of highway management. (Brookings Institution, Washington, D.C., 1951. 204 pages, \$2.50.)

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Water Resources. A Report to the Legislature on the Development of the Water Resources of Florida, for 1949 and 1950 is now available. Brief descriptions are presented of authorized projects, both in the planning stage and in the process of being constructed. This work for the Central and Southern Florida Flood Control District is under the guidance of the Water Survey and Research Division of the State Board of Conservation. Further information may be obtained by writing to the Office of the Chief Engineer, Division of Water Survey and Research, State Board of Conservation, Tallahassee, Fla.

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Irrigation. A method of estimating water requirements for irrigated lands where only climatological data are available, is outlined by Harry F. Blaney and Wayne D. Cridle in a publication of the Soil Conservation Service entitled *Determining Water Requirements in Irrigated Areas from Climatological and Irrigation Data*. Copies may be obtained from the Printing and Distribution Unit of the Section of Education, Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D.C.

Housing Research. All contract research projects started by the Housing Research Division of the Housing and Home Finance Agency are described in a booklet entitled *Housing Research, Capsule Descriptions of Projects Started Under Contract in 1950*. The projects are focused on solving the practical problems of housing production, financing, and operation, for the mutual benefit of the housing industry and the consumer. Copies of the report are obtainable from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C., for 30 cents each.

Water Resources. Bulletin No. 40 of the Illinois State Water Survey, giving records of water levels, well data, analyses of treated waters, and information about ground water and other water resources of the state, is now available. Material is arranged according to counties, and data for each county may be obtained individually if so desired. Inquiries should be sent to the State Water Survey Division, Water Resources Building, Box 232, Urbana, Ill.

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Wood Preservation. Preliminary wood preservation statistics for 1950—based on reports from 267 plants representing more than 95 percent of the wood-treating capacity of the country—have been compiled by the Division of Forest Economics of the U.S. Forest Service. Copies of the compilation may be obtained from the U.S. Forest Service, Washington 25, D.C.

Atomic Energy. A revised edition of the booklet on how to do business with the Atomic Energy Commission entitled *U.S. Atomic Energy Commission Contracting and Purchasing Offices and Types of Commodities Purchased*, may be bought for 15 cents per copy from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C.

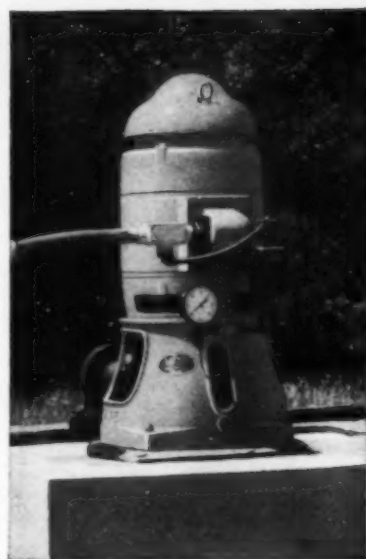
Highway Research. Progress in the field of land acquisition, control of highway access, roadside protection, and parking is outlined in Bulletin No. 30 of the Highway Research Board, entitled *Progress in Roadside Protection*. The bulletin includes a committee report, and four special papers pertaining to control of the roadside are also included. Inquiries should be addressed to the Highway Research Board, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D.C.

Building Research. The Building Research Advisory Board announces publication of the proceedings of its second research correlation conference under the title, *Fire Resistance of Exterior Non-Load-Bearing Walls*. New developments in design and engineering of exterior non-load-bearing walls, and new materials for construction of these walls under existing codes and regulations are discussed. Copies will be distributed to those who paid the registration fee at the conference, with additional copies available upon order. An order form with information on prices may be obtained from the Building Research Advisory Board, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, Washington 25, D.C.

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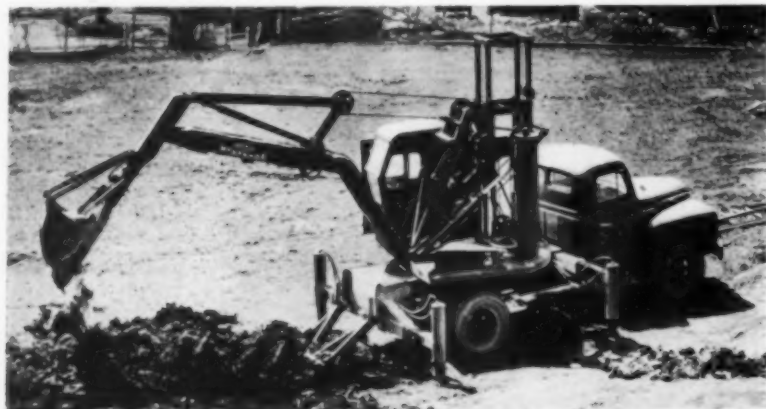
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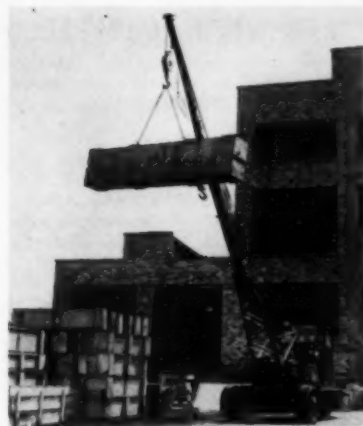
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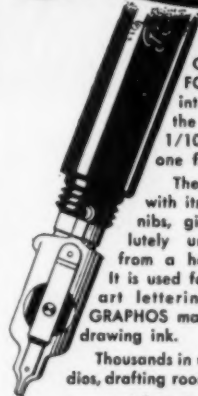
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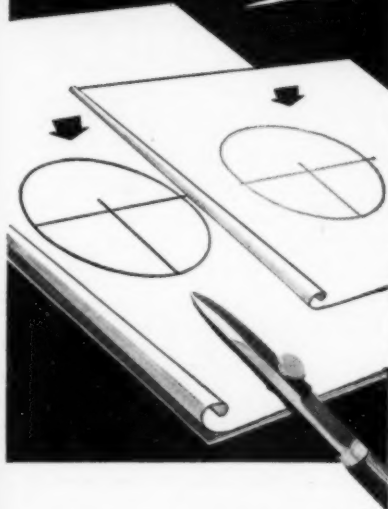
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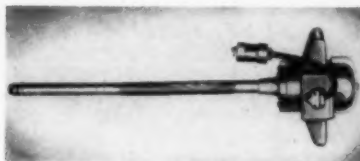
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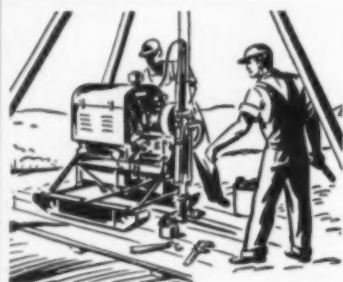


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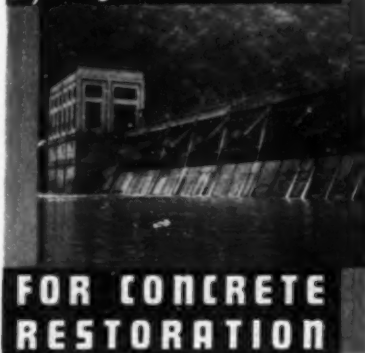
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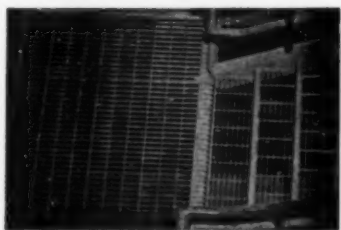
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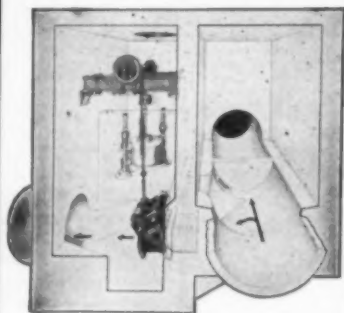


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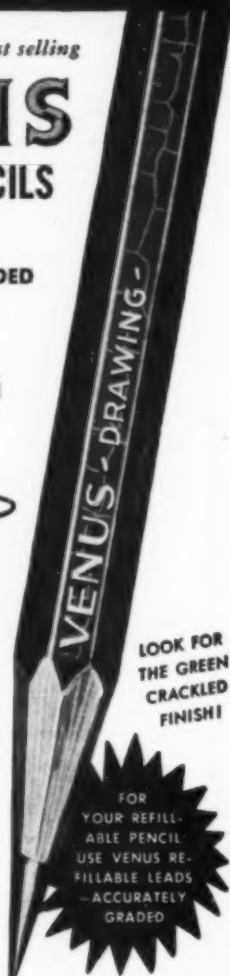
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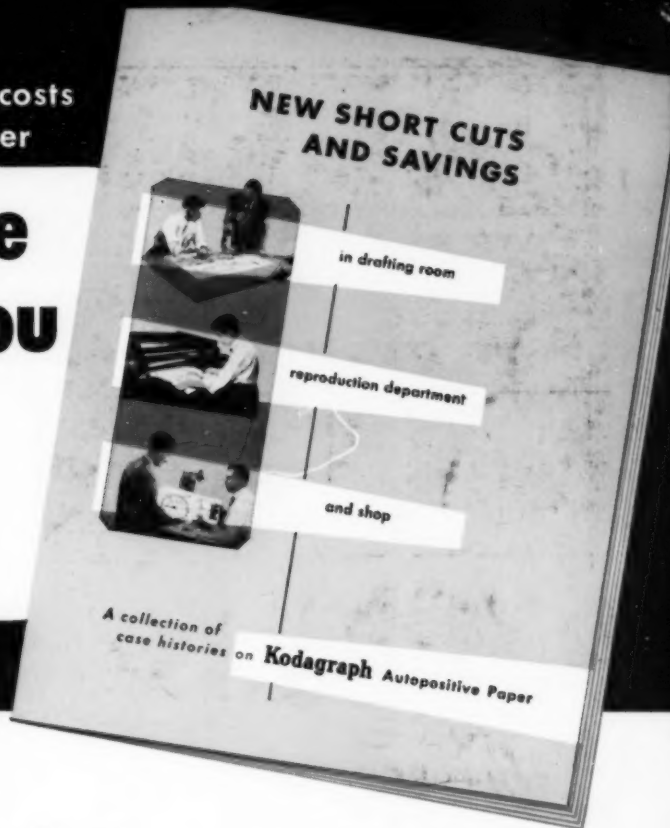
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